

Increasing cloudiness tonight; Saturday unsettled, probably rain or snow.

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LOWELL MASS. FRIDAY DECEMBER 24 1915

PRICE ONE CENT

TAINED TURKEY SENT BACK FROM CITY FARM

There was quite a sensation at city hall this morning when it was reported that a turkey sent to the Chalmers street hospital for the Christmas dinner tomorrow was found to be tainted.

The report finally reached the mayor's office and the mayor, in company with purchasing agent Foye, Agent Bates of the board of health, and Dr. Clement D. Hamblet, inspector of meat and provisions, went to the Chalmers street hospital to examine the turkey.

As a result of the visit of these officials, 295 of the 500 pounds of turkey purchased for the inmates' dinner tomorrow were condemned and as some of the remaining 205 pounds didn't look any too good, it was decided to send back the whole lot and have them replaced by good turkeys.

The contract price for the turkeys was 21 cents a pound. They were delivered yesterday afternoon and while Supt. Conley who talked with a reporter for The Sun this morning relative to the Christmas dinner at the farm did not say anything about the bad turkey, it is to be assumed he was at that moment about to consult the mayor and the purchasing agent in the matter.

It was stated by the examiners that some of the birds were black and that the odor was not nearly as refreshing as the ozone of the pines. The purchasing agent gave his opinion that some of the birds were not turkeys at all, but a number of them weighed less than six pounds. Dr. Hamblet took one of the birds away with him for future reference.

Asked about the bad turkey, the mayor said: "The matter was reported to me this morning and I went to the Chalmers street hospital. I thought at first that the purchasing agent would be the man to act, but I discovered that it was up to me and I condemned 295 of a total of 500 pounds. I took the inspector of meat and provisions along in order to be on the safe side, but it wasn't really necessary, as it was plain to be seen that the birds, some of them at least, were bad. The rest of them were none too good and it was finally decided to send all of them back and get a new lot."

Their Christmas Dinner

There are now about 100 inmates at the hospital at the present time and it was estimated that 400 pounds of turkey would feed them all. With the turkey, of course, will go all the fixings, mashed potatoes, mashed turnips, squash, brown gravy, mulling, pie, tea, coffee, fruit, nuts and candy. There will be about 100 of the 400 inmates who will not be able to take seats at the big table and their meals will be served them in bed. The inmates always look forward to Christmas and all the good cheer that the season inspires. At 7:30 tomorrow morning,

Dr. Fletcher of the Sacred Heart church will celebrate mass. The soloists at the mass will be Mrs. Tompkins, John Dalton, Wm. Hooker and Frank Burns. After mass the singers will go through the institution singing to those who were unable to attend mass.

Granite Base for Mortar
The granite base for the mortar presented the city by Congressman John Jacob Rogers was put in position on the concrete foundation between the Memorial building and city hall this forenoon. Mr. Patrick Corger had the contract to place the granite base and it required a four-horse hitch to pull it.

The mortar piece of granite was taken from the Fletcher quarry in Milford, N. H., and was cut at the Fletcher quarry in Westford from which point it was shipped to Lowell. The weight of the granite base is estimated at ten tons and it required the strength, ingenuity and skill of six men well accustomed to the handling of such things to put the big base in position. It was a slow job, but the men knew their business and handled it without a hitch. The granite base is inscribed as follows: "Dedicated to the City of Lowell by John Jacob Rogers, 1916." Mr. Rogers volunteered to pay all of the expense connected with the mortar, including the cement base, granite base and the moving of the mortar from the North country.

Examination for Chauffeurs
The weekly examination for chauffeurs took place at city hall this forenoon and there were 12 applicants for chauffeurs' licenses. These examinations are conducted under the auspices of the board of trade.

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DR. MABIE IS SICK

HE WILL NOT BE A SPEAKER AT THE BOARD OF TRADE BANQUET JAN. 6TH

Secretary John H. Murphy of the board of trade received word this morning to the effect that the engagement of Dr. Hamilton Wright Mabie of New York, editor of the Outlook, to speak in this city on Jan. 6, had been cancelled on account of the serious illness of the doctor.

The doctor, who is reputed to be one of the best speakers in the country, was scheduled to speak at the coming banquet of the board of trade but, although the doctor had promised to come to Lowell, it was feared he would again be stricken with an attack of heart disease similar to that which he suffered from a short time ago in New York, and accordingly three other notable speakers have been listed.

Despite the fact that Dr. Mabie will be unable to come to Lowell, it is believed this will not throw cold water on the arrangements for the banquet, for those who will attend will have the opportunity to listen to addresses by Hon. Myron T. Herrick, former ambassador to France; Hon. Theodore E. Burton, former United States senator from Ohio, and John H. Fahy of Boston and Washington, president of the United States chamber of commerce.

ALL DRUG STORES WILL BE CLOSED ON CHRISTMAS DAY FROM 12 TO 6 P. M.

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FORD QUILTS PEACE PARTY AND SAILS FOR NEW YORK

CHRISTIANIA, Norway, Dec. 24.—The Norwegian liner Bryggsford, with Henry Ford on board, sailed for New York this morning. Mr. Ford stated before leaving Bergen that the peace expedition would continue under the auspices of the Women's International Peace association.

Rev. Samuel S. Marquis, dean of St. Paul's cathedral, Detroit, sailed from Bergen with Mr. Ford.

Henry Ford's departure from Europe apparently marks the termination, in its original form, of the most novel of the many movements which have been undertaken to bring about the ending of the war. Mr. Ford's announcement that the Women's International Peace association henceforth will conduct the expedition, would seem to indicate that, so far as the personally is concerned, he will relinquish the self-imposed task which he expressed in the phrase "out of the trenches by Christmas." It has not been made clear, however, whether Mr. Ford will continue to give financial support to the enterprise.

The Women's International Peace association has been in existence for some time. It held congress at the Hague last spring and appointed delegations to visit the capitals of various European and American nations. One of the most prominent women at the congress was Mrs. Rosika Schindler, president of the Hungarian Woman Suffrage association and a member of the Ford peace party. After the congress at The Hague, Mrs. Schindler came to the United States to continue her work for peace.

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THE CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Elaborate Programs in Churches Tomorrow — Sermons on the Savior's Nativity

Tomorrow most of the local churches will celebrate Christmas by grand musical programs and services appropriate to the occasion. In the Catholic churches especially the observance will be carried out on a very elaborate scale. In some of the churches the Christmas programs were given last Sunday. The principal to be given tomorrow are presented below. The sermons will deal with the story of the Nativity of Christ the Savior.

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

Solemn High Mass 11 o'clock
Processional, Adagio Fideles, Novello
Christmas Carols, Gounod
Introit, Puer Natus, G. Capocci
Sanctus, Chorus
Gloria, St. Cecilia (Revised Edition), Gounod
Kyrie, Gloria, Credo, Sanctus, Benedictus, Agnus Dei
Graduale, Viderunt Omnes, Falkenstein
Offertory, Tui Sunt Coeli, J. B. Treach
Sanctus, Chorus
Motet, Natus Nobis, Van Reyschoot
Church Choir
Communion, Viderunt Omnes, Falkenstein
Recessional, Carols, Arundel
Responses by sanctuary choir of 30 voices, Brother Nilus, director, James King, cantor

Vespers 7 o'clock
Processional, "See Amid the Winter's Snow", Arundel
Christmas Carols, Arundel
Psalms and antiphons of the feast sung antiphonally by church and sanctuary choir
Plain Chant
Hymn of the Day, Jesu Redemptor
Magnificat
Antiphon of the season, Alma Redemptoris
Sanctus, Chorus
Benediction
Baritone solo, O Salutaris, Hargitt
Andrew A. McCarthy
Motet, Natus Nobis, Van Reyschoot
Church Choir
Laudate Dominum, Plain Chant
Recessional, Sanctuary Choir

The girls' choir, under the direction of the Sisters of Notre Dame, will sing Christmas carols at the 6 and 8:30 o'clock masses. John J. Kelly will preside at the organ.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH

Solemn High Mass at 11 a. m.
The choir will sing Gounod's Mass of the Sacred Heart, and at the offertory Van Reyschoot's Natus Nobis Salvo.
Solemn Vespers at 7 p. m.
An elaborate musical program will be rendered by the regular chorus and quartet, consisting of Miss Gertrude Ketter, soprano; Miss Elizabeth Cunningham, alto; Mr. Lawrence Delaney, tenor; Mr. James Donnelly, baritone; Miss Carolyn White, organist; Mr. Joseph Egan, cantor.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

Solemn High Mass at 11 a. m.
Processional, The Birthday of a King, Neidinger
Sanctus, Chorus
Introit, Puer Natus, Capocci
Mass, Kyrie, Gloria, Credo, Sanctus and Agnus Dei, Kalliwoda
Graduale, Viderunt Omnes, Falkenstein
Offertory, Tui Sunt Coeli, Stedie
Motet, Noel, Van Reyschoot
Mrs. Frank P. McCarthy and Chorus
Communion, Viderunt Omnes, Falkenstein
Recessional, O Holy Night, Falkenstein
Sanctus, Chorus

Solemn Vespers at 8:30 p. m.

Processional, Adagio Fideles
Silent Night
Sanctus, Chorus
Psalms
Dixit Dominus
Confitebor Tibi
Hauriant Viri
De Profundis
Memento Domine
Hymn, Jesu Redemptor
Magnificat
Alma Redemptoris
O Salutaris
Mr. David P. Martin
Tantum Ergo
Laudate Dominum
Recessional, Around Little Bethlehem, Sanctuary Choir
Soloists, John O'Brien, Charles McGovern, Art McQuade, Jr.
A chorus of 60 voices assisted by the following soloists: Mrs. Frank P. McCarthy and Miss Bella Walsh, sopranos; Miss Katherine McCaffery, alto; Mr. Arthur McQuade, tenor; Messrs. David P. Martin and Frank Kane, basses; Mrs.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, SIXTH ST.

There will be a solemn mass at 10:45 a. m. and solemn vespers at 7 p. m.
At the morning service the church choir will sing Kalliwoda's Mass in A and the church choir the Processional, responses and Christmas hymns.
At the evening service the church choir, assisted by the quartet of the church, will sing the Psalms by Lettner and Novello's "Adagio Fideles". The quartet will sing a benediction.
The music will be given by the church quartet and chorus and a church choir of 50 men and boys "vested".
The quartet and organist are: Mrs. James A. Murphy, soprano; Miss Margaret Griffin, contralto; Mr. Thomas P. Muller, baritone; Mr. James A. Murphy, tenor; director, Mrs. Ella M. Kelly, organist.

SACRED HEART CHURCH

Solemn High Mass 11 a. m.
Organ Prelude, Impromptu, Fagler
Processional Hymns:
(a) Angels From the Realms of Glory, Rev. A. Young
(b) Twas in the Winter Cold, Sanctuary Choir
Introit, Puer Natus, Gregorian
Kyrie, St. Cecilia's Mass, Chas. Gounod
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Graduale, Viderunt Omnes, Gregorian
Credo, St. Cecilia's Mass, Chas. Gounod
Offertory, Natus Nobis Salvatore, Van Reyschoot
Church Choir
Soloist, Mr. John McMahon, Chas. Gounod
Benedictus, St. Cecilia's Mass, Chas. Gounod
Agnus Dei, St. Cecilia's Mass, Chas. Gounod
Communion, Viderunt Omnes, Gregorian
Sanctus, Chorus
Recessional Hymns:
(a) See Amid the Winter Snow, English Air
(b) In the Lowly Manger, Willard
Sanctus, Chorus
Postlude, Gloria in G, Mozart
Organ, Marche de Pite, Wagner
Soloists in Mass: Mrs. Philip Mooney, Mr. John McMahon, Mr. George Kirwin.
Vesper Service 6:30 p. m.
Organ Prelude:
(a) Offertory, Read
(b) Meditation, Morrison
(c) Prelude and Motet, Read
(d) Triumphant March, Shuey
Processional Hymns:
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Soprano solo and quartet, O Holy Night, Adam
Soloist, Mrs. Philip Mooney.
Tenor solo and chorus, Van Reyschoot
Natus Nobis Salvatore, Van Reyschoot
Soloist, Mr. John McMahon.
Solemn Benediction.
Ave Verum, Mr. Jennings, Sewell
Tantum Ergo, Church Choir
Laudate Dominum, Gregorian
Sanctus, Chorus
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Organ, Festival March, Fagler
Church choir of 10 voices, assisted by the sanctuary choir of 60 voices.
Church quartet consists of: Mrs. Philip Mooney, soprano; Miss Bessie Finnigan, contralto; Mr. John McMahon, tenor; Mr. George Kirwin, bass; organist and director, John J. Kelly.

ST. JOSEPH'S

Solemn High Mass at 10:30 a. m.
Processional, Hosanna, P. Wachs
Hymn, Ca Bergers, E. Gagnon
Introit, Puer Natus Est, Gregorian
Kyrie, Mass of the Oratorio, L'Abbe Cherlon
Gloria, Mass of the Oratorio, L'Abbe Cherlon
Graduale, Viderunt Omnes, Gregorian
Credo, Mass of the Oratorio, L'Abbe Cherlon
Offertory, Hodie Christus Natus Est, L'Abbe Cherlon
Sanctus, Mass of the Oratorio, L'Abbe Cherlon
Benedictus—Quartet with obbligato, A. G. Lovelle
Soloist, Mrs. P. Mado, soprano; Miss S. Latour, contralto; A. Perreault, tenor; E. J. Dupont, basso
Agnus Dei, Mass of the Oratorio, L'Abbe Cherlon
Trio: Miss Alice Bonin, Archie Lavallee and E. J. Dupont
Communion, Viderunt Omnes, Gregorian
Hymn, Les Anges dans Nos Campagnes, Chorus
Recessional, Marche de Noel, G. Merkel
Solemn Vespers
Processional, Adoration, R. Gane
Mr. Egan, organist, Gregorian
Magnificat
Grand Chorus
Alma Redemptoris, Novello
O Salutaris, Miss Rose Lussier

ST. JEAN BAPTISTE

Solemn High Mass at 10 a. m.
Processional, "Hosanna", L'Abbe Cherlon
Mass of the Oratorio, L'Abbe Cherlon
"Et Incarnatus Est"
Quartet
Mrs. Eva Michon, soprano; Mrs. M. A. Jacques, contralto; J. E. Nolet, tenor; Edmond Janelle, basso
Offertory, Adagio Fideles, Chorus of 60 boys
Recessional, Lefebvre-Wely
Solemn Vespers at 8:30 p. m.
Irregular Psalm, Boys' chorus
"Ave Verum", Ballman
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ST. ANTHONY'S CHURCH

Solemn Pontifical Mass, 11 o'clock
Processional, "Natus Nobis", Van Reyschoot
Introit, "Puer Natus", Tozier
Kyrie, Festival Mass, Tozier
Gloria, Festival Mass, Tozier
Graduale, Festival Mass, Tozier
Offertory, Festival Mass, Tozier
Duet, "Ave Maria", M. Portugal
Communion, Festival Mass, Tozier
Recessional, "Adagio Fideles", Portuguese
Solemn Pontifical Vespers, 7 o'clock
Processional, Organ Solo, E. Guilbault
Dixit Dominus, Plain Chant
Confitebor Tibi, Plain Chant
Benedictus, Plain Chant
Agnus Dei, Plain Chant
Kyrie, Plain Chant
Gloria, Plain Chant
Credo, Plain Chant
Offertory, Plain Chant
Communion, Plain Chant
Recessional, Plain Chant
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ST. JOHN'S, NORTH CHURCH

High Mass, 8:30 a. m.
Processional, Prelude, S. Bachmann
Introit, Chorus
Kyrie, Guardian Angels
Gloria
Leonard's Mass in E Flat

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Christmas Day and Sunday, Dec. 26
Processional, O Come, All Ye Faithful, Reading
Sanctus in F, Tuckerm
Communion Hymn, Hymn 219, Dearie
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ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH

At the 10:45 o'clock mass, an augmented choir, under the direction of Mr. John F. McGillicuddy, organist, will sing Rosey's Mass in F. At the offertory, Miss Katherine V. Hennessey, soprano, will render Hache's beautiful "Ave Verum".
At the 7 o'clock mass, Christmas carols will be sung by the newly organized children's choir. The solos of the "Adagio Fideles" will be taken by Master John Goodrow, Miss Rose McCarthy, Miss Leona Cuff, and Miss Evelyn Cox. Miss Theresa Hennessey, organist and director.

ST. LOUIS CHURCH

Solemn High Mass at 8:30 a. m.
Processional, Organ and orchestra
Asperges, Gregorian
Introit, Puer Natus Est, Gregorian
Kyrie, St. Cecilia's Mass, Chas. Gounod
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Graduale, Viderunt Omnes, Gregorian
Credo, St. Cecilia's Mass, Chas. Gounod
Offertory, Adagio Fideles, Chas. Gounod
Communion, Viderunt Omnes, Gregorian
Sanctus, Chorus
Recessional Hymns:
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(b) In the Lowly Manger, Willard
Sanctus, Chorus
Postlude, Gloria in G, Mozart
Organ, Marche de Pite, Wagner
Soloists in Mass: Mrs. Philip Mooney, Mr. John McMahon, Mr. George Kirwin.
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A QUARTER CENTURY AGO

Quarter of a century ago, The Sun issued a special Christmas souvenir edition in honor of the holiday and among its special features was a fragmentary poem appropriate to the occasion and entitled "The Incarnation," written for The Sun by Mr. Edward J. Gallagher, then, as at present, the editor of The Sun. At that time Mr. Gallagher intended, at a later date, to extend the poem so as to cover the work of redemption and the changes brought about by Christianity; but he has never found the time necessary for such an undertaking. Hence the poem appears below practically as printed twenty-five years ago:

The Incarnation
 "Obedient to the fiat of His will
 The promise of redemption to fulfill,
 A mystery is wrought that will atone
 For Adam's primal sin, nay to the throne
 Of God lead all who will and thus re-
 To man his destiny forevermore.
 A being infinite was disobeyed
 And infinite the ransom to be paid;
 A God eternal and omnipotent
 To earth in human form will now be sent.
 One person of the Trinity on high
 Must leave of woman both as man to die,
 And leave mankind the gospel of his love,
 The light of truth to lead to heaven above.

Already has an angel hailed the Queen,
 The virgin mother of the Incarnate,
 Conceived innocently of woman blest,
 Her motherhood divine will ever attest.
 The court of heaven holds a jubilee
 Ere Christ descends to set his people free.
 Rush glorious orbs to heaven's portal high
 With beams sublime to wait their God
 To see the God of hosts descend be-
 low
 On earth to conquer man's eternal foe—
 That fell usurper, Satan, there to smite,
 And man with God forever reunited;
 O'er man redeemed forevermore to reign
 That evil ne'er may blight his bliss again.

Those beautiful orbs in beams re-
 gleaming
 Their interest ray would vanquish hu-
 man eye.
 On heaven's battlements and far away
 They pour their light intense and well
 display
 Infinitely of space illumined, the glow
 Of golden sunset, dawn and polar bow—
 All lovely hues and shades that seem
 The radiant visions of an angel's dream.

But lo! now heaven's portals open
 And forth a mighty host of angels
 glide,
 Their martyrs, prophets, crowned with
 glory
 There angels glow in rarest beams
 divine,
 And there Creation's God in highest
 glory dwells,
 Before whose face those orbs have
 faded from sight.
 Beside the throne unfold that shine in
 him,
 A wide infinity of suns were dim.

Angelic anthems through the ether
 dwell
 Delighting all in upper worlds that
 dwell,
 Celestial strains above, below, around,
 Thro' wide vacuities of space resound
 And echo sweet in universal play,
 Beyond creation's limits die away.

Some saints have seen a beautiful
 bird of light,
 That hovered spirit lays in heaven's
 height,
 In melody that lulled all care to rest
 Wakening joy ecstatic to the breast.
 More sweet than earthly number ever
 fell:
 Not Orpheus' lute, Cecilia's choral
 swell,
 No human voice or lyre on earth e'er
 found.

Could pour such thrilling symphonies
 around
 No song bird could be that soared
 above,
 Nay, 'twas a Seraph breathing songs
 Spellbound they deemed, they listened
 but a day.
 But found without that years had
 passed,
 Even so eternal life will glide along,
 Ten thousand years of rapture in a
 song
 Of love and glory chanted by the
 blessed.
 Who in the beatific vision rest:
 One moment there eternal joy to
 know

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AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT TWO KILLED IN WRECK

MISS QUEENIE MANCHESTER IN-
 JURED IN CRASH WHEN THE CAR
 SKIDDED

Miss Queenie A. Manchester, secretary to Principal Cyrus W. Irish of the Lowell high school, was injured late yesterday afternoon when an automobile owned by her mother, Mrs. Jennie G. Manchester of 66 Willow street, collided with a machine owned and driven by J. H. Mills of 86 Dover street.

The accident occurred about 5 o'clock on the Boston road just beyond Tewksbury center. The Manchester car, driven by Roy Manchester and occupied by Mrs. Manchester, Miss Queenie A. and brother, William, was headed toward Lowell returning from Somerville. As they were ascending a slight incline, the machine skidded and turned completely around. Mr. Mills and two passengers were following close behind and crashed into the car. None of the occupants was thrown out. Though Mrs. Manchester's car was demolished, the Mills automobile was saved by a bumper. Miss Queenie Manchester sustained severe bruises about the body while the other occupants were badly shaken up and suffered from the shock.

15 KILLED; 30 INJURED

PASSENGER TRAIN AND FAST
 FREIGHT IN COLLISION YESTER-
 DAY

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Dec. 24.—Engineer Irbey Read and Fireman W. E. Lehr, of Nashville, and 13 negro laborers, were killed and 22 negroes seriously injured late yesterday in a collision between a Chattanooga-Nashville passenger train and a fast freight on the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis railway.

\$500,000 DAMAGE

300 Feet of Steel "False Work" of
 Bridge Swept Away by the Heavy
 Current

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 24.—Upwards of \$500,000 damage was done last night when about 300 feet of the steel "false work" of the Harahan railroad wagon bridge which is to span the Mississippi here, was swept away by the heavy current caused by a rapid rise in the river. No one was injured. Completion of the bridge, which it was expected would be finished next summer at a cost of approximately \$5,000,000, will be delayed about seven months.

HOLD PARCELS FROM ENGLAND
 BERLIN, Dec. 24 (By wireless to Sayville).—Advices from Stockholm report that, in pursuance of the Swedish government's decision to hold up parcel post packages passing through Sweden to or from England in retaliation for the removal by British authorities from steamships of packages for Sweden, ten thousand parcels from England for Russia are now being held at Gothenburg. At Haparanda, it is said, 3500 packages are being detained.

GIFT OF \$2,000,000

MRS. DEL DRAGO OF NEW YORK
 MAKES PRESENT TO QUEEN OF
 ITALY FOR SOLDIERS' FAMILIES

ROME, Dec. 24.—The Stefani News Agency says that Mrs. Josephine Del Drago of New York has offered \$2,000,000 to the queen of Italy as a Christmas gift for distribution among the families of combatants and that the queen has accepted the proffer with profound thanks.

Mrs. Josephine Del Drago inherited from her husband, August Schmid of New York, a large estate; Mr. Schmid was a prosperous brewer and Mrs. Del Drago is now president of the big brewery company of which her husband was the head when he died in 1882.

DRUNKENNESS IN PORTLAND

"Hippers" Appear to Be Doing Big
 Business Since Saloons Were
 Closed

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 24.—The "Hips" to sell on and all saloons are closed, but apparently the pocket peddlers came out in force as there were many instances of drunkenness yesterday. When the selling of beer was stopped by order of Chief Bowen many turned to stronger liquors.

There is still a lack of avowed personal and official responsibility, and it is all a matter of guesswork how long the present enforcement will last.

JOHN A. LOWELL DEAD
 NEWTON HIGHLANDS, Dec. 24.—John Adams Lowell, president of the John A. Lowell Banknote company of Boston, died at his late residence, 51 Erie avenue yesterday, after an illness of several months. The funeral services will be held at the Lowell residence, Sunday, Dec. 26, at 2 p. m., the body later being taken to Portland, Me., for interment.

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The Christmas Spirit
 AND HOW TO TRANSMIT IT
 If the Spirit of Christmas has been neglected in the hurry and scurry of the daily grind, and is demanding expression;
 If it's now the eleventh hour and your conscience is reproaching you;
 If you just must send a "message to Garcia" and are looking for someone to help you—
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TOO LATE to send a present? TOO FAR to send a messenger, you say? Are you sure? Can you not arrange for it by telephone? It's never "too far" or "too late" for us.

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 Portland......55
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 MASSACHU-
 SETTS
 Boston......20
 Brockton......30
 Clinton......20
 Fall River....40
 Fitchburg.....25
 Gardner......30
 Holyoke......45
 Marlboro.....20
 New Bedford..45
 North Adams..60
 Northampton..40
 Pittsfield.....65
 Springfield...50
 Taunton.....35
 Worcester.....25
 Keene......35
 Manchester...20
 Portsmouth...30
 Rochester.....35
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 Bennington...60
 Brattleboro...40
 Burlington...95
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PEANUTS.....	5c	CURRENTS, pkg.....	9c
ORANGES, doz.....	15c	CIDER—Nice and Sweet, Just Arrived, gal.....	25c
FRESH SHOULDERS, lb.....	10c	POULTRY DRESSING (Bell's).....	9c
FRESH RIBS, lb.....	11c	POP CORN, pkg.....	9c
QUARTERS OF FRESH PIGS, lb.....	10c	MIXED NUTS, 2 lbs.....	25c
POTATOES, pk.....	25c	MINCE MEAT, pkg.....	9c
SMOKED SHOULDERS, lb.....	10 1/2c	DZERTA JELLY POWDER, pkg.....	6c
LEGS GENUINE SPRING LAMB, lb.....	15c	ORANGE PEEL, lb.....	13c
NEW COFFEE ROASTER JUST INSTALLED—		LEMON PEEL, lb.....	13c
FRESH ROASTED AND GROUND COFFEE,		EGGS, Strictly Fresh, doz.....	50c
Lb.....	15c, 19c and 23c	EGGS, Fresh Western, doz.....	24c
FANCY CLUSTER RAISINS, pkg.....	9c	WALNUTS, lb.....	17c
		XMAS CANDLES.....	8c

PAID \$100,000 NORMAN PRINCE HOME HIS 38TH ANNIVERSARY

U. S. Cartridge Payroll Broke All Records in Lowell

The U. S. Cartridge Co. broke all records yesterday for a weekly payroll, when it disbursed the largest amount of money ever paid out by a mercantile corporation in this city. The employees received not only their weekly wages, but in addition the money in back pay due them as a result of the finding of the state board of arbitration in the recent hearings granted as an outcome of the strike.

The amount paid out yesterday totaled a little more than \$100,000, and was distributed among 6100 employees. Of this sum, close to \$36,000, was the money due in back wages, in accordance with the increase granted by the state board, dating back to Sept. 23. The balance represented the regular weekly payroll of the company.

The workers were paid off at the end of their shifts and a large force of clerks was kept busy passing out the pay envelopes. The plants of the company will close tonight and will not reopen until 1 o'clock Monday morning.

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FOUND IN SEALED CAR
 FOUR CHINESE BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN SMUGGLED IN BY WAY OF WINDSOR, ONT.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 24.—Four young Chinese who were found in a sealed freight car in the Vashaw yards here last night told James P. Dunn, inspector of the local immigration office, today, that they had boarded the train at Boston, New York, Vancouver, B. C. and Windsor, Ont., respectively. Later, under cross examination by the inspector, the quartet vowed they had all boarded the train at the same time.

The Chinese, local immigration officers believe, were smuggled into the United States by way of Windsor, Ont.

SAFE WRECKED; MARSHAL SHOT
 MUSKOGEE, Okla., Dec. 24.—Bandits only today blew up a safe in the post office at Calvin, 60 miles southwest of here, and later attempted to blow the safe in one of the banks there, according to a despatch to the Muskogee police. The night marshal is reported to have been shot.

OPPOSED NEW WAR CREDIT
 PARIS, Dec. 24.—A Zurich despatch says that the number of members of the reichstag who expressed opposition to the new war credit of 10,000,000 marks adopted on Tuesday, was larger than at first reported. According to this information, 20 social democrats abstained from voting which, with the socialists who voted in the negative, brings up the total opposed to the appropriation to 42.

Berlin despatches of Tuesday said 19 socialists voted in the negative.

DR. BRADY TO WED
 Dr. D. W. Brady of 461 Neponset avenue, Dorchester, and Mrs. Flossie C. Thomas of Fort Worth, Tex., will be married in this city tomorrow evening. The marriage was scheduled to take place at the home of Mrs. Thomas in Texas, and all arrangements had been made for the event. Dr. Brady, however, took sick some weeks ago and was removed to the home of his brother-in-law, George C. Larrabee, 15 Corner street, this city and a few days ago it was decided that the bride-to-be would come to Lowell and the ceremony will be performed tomorrow evening at the home of Mr. Larrabee by Rev. Herbert E. Benton of the Grace Universalist church.

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SUN REAL ESTATE AND BUILDERS' PAGE

REAL ESTATE MATTERS

Building Operations Rather Dull — Transactions Recorded for the Week — Sales Reported

Building operations in Lowell at the present time are rather quiet owing to weather conditions but there is considerable work being done on the inside and many alterations are being made. Very little new work is going on, but indications at the present time are that although more buildings were erected in this city during the year 1915 than any other year there will be a big increase in this line of work next year, that is as soon as the weather permits.

Hundreds of houses, blocks, two and three apartment houses and bungalows have been constructed during the year, the upbuilding of the suburban districts being quite noticeable. There has been a general tendency during the past year for families to move to the suburbs and while many people have by frugality purchased homes of their own, others have caused to be erected two apartment houses, occupying one apartment themselves and letting the other.

There have also been many houses erected for investment in the outlying districts all of which are a credit to the city.

Memorial Building
The Memorial building has been enclosed and the stone work with the exception of a little on the front of the building has been laid. Although there has been some criticism about the slowness of the work on the remodeling of this building the different contractors have had to work under difficulties and this made the work necessarily slow. With the roof on the building and the interior protected from the elements the interior work can be gone ahead with no matter how stormy the weather.

Permit Granted
There was but one permit granted at the office of the lands and buildings department this week, and that was for an alteration to the house of Elizabeth and William T. Couson at 145 B street. This building is to be changed over from a single to a two family house.

Up to the time of going to press today 729 permits to build and make alterations have been granted by the office of the land and buildings department during the year 1915, this being the largest in the history of the city.

The improvement of old buildings throughout the city during the year has been remarkable. Even in the business section stores have been changed over, new fronts having been put in and various alterations made. Many single houses have been changed into double or two apartment dwellings and steam heat and up-to-date plumbing has been installed. Property owners are beginning to realize that the improvement of property and slight increase in rents is more profitable than allowing the property to depreciate.

Mr. Nelson's Property
F. E. Nelson, proprietor of what is known as "Nelson's Five & Ten Cent Store" in Central street, this city, and similar stores in Nashua and Manchester, is anxious to purchase the Howard block in Nashua, N. H., owned by H. T. W. Howard. This building is located on Main street and is considered

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U. S. NAVY BOARD'S PLAN

SEC. DANIELS CONSIDERS MAKING
POLICY PUBLIC BEFORE CON-
GRESSIONAL COM. HEARINGS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The full text of the report of the navy general board urging that the United States navy be placed on an equality with the strongest navies by 1925 probably will be made public by Secretary Daniels before congressional committee hearings begin on the administration's navy plans.

Mr. Daniels said tonight he was giving the matter serious thought as a result of statements made by various members of congress that they would seek its publication and also because this report was mentioned in the letter of resignation from Henry A. Wood of New York, severing his connections with the recently organized civilian advisory board.

Sec. Daniels will acknowledge Mr. Wood's resignation and ask the American Society of Aeronautical Engineers, which selected him for membership on the advisory board, to name his successor.

The general board's policy apparently contemplates a two-power standard for the American navy in declaring it should equal "the most powerful navies of any two other powers, although, at least, the American navy has been excluded from that calculation in the past.

While naval officials are unwilling to discuss the board's statement of policy in advance of its publication, it is indicated that the possibility that the United States might be called upon to meet enemies in both the Atlantic and Pacific oceans simultaneously was considered in reaching a conclusion.

The first year's building alone, under the program, it is reported, would equal the entire five-year administration program in cost, approaching \$500,000,000.

W. P. Williams is about to erect a dwelling house in Putnam avenue. It will be 26 by 36 feet, contain seven rooms, pantry and bath and be up-to-date in every particular.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS
For the Week Ending Dec. 24, 1915

Lowell
Mary E. Stevens et al. to Jennie Gold-
en, land and buildings, cor. Liberty and
School sts.
Edgar Landis et al. to Edouard
Bouquet, ex. land and buildings on
Avois street.
R. L. B. Littlefield et al. to Michael
J. Shamas, land, cor. Pawtucket and
Washington sts.
John C. Leggat et al. to Elizabeth
D. Leggat, land and buildings on
Broadway.

James Walsh by mortgage, to Alice T.
Kane, land on Highland avenue.
Alice T. Kane to Jacob H. Cheever,
land on Highland ave.
Louis M. Fay, land and buildings on
B. Moore, land on Wentworth avenue.
David W. Devar et al. to Charles P.
Williams, land on Hoyt and Wellington
avenues.

Thomas W. Johnson et al. to Joseph
Johas et al., land on Daniels street.
Clement Dumas et al. to Avila Saw-
yer, land and buildings on Braut
street.
John S. Brodie et al. to Gladys E.
Chapman, land and buildings on A
street.
Margaret G. Maguire to George Z.
Allard, land on Cumberland road.

James Farley et al. to Raitolas
Bernatavicz et al., land and build-
ings on W. Main street.
Frank E. Jewett et al. to Ray State
Cotton Corp., land on Marginal street.
Agnes T. Fay to Joseph F. Fay, land
and buildings.
Mary A. Fay to Joseph F. Fay, land
and buildings.

Catherine F. Fay et al. by gdn. to
Joseph F. Fay, land and buildings.
Agnes T. Fay to Joseph F. Fay, land
and buildings on Common, First and
Wilder streets.
Thomas W. Johnson et al. to William
B. Moffatt, land on Daniels street.
Freeman S. Hersey to Lillie M.
Spencer, land and buildings on Mid-
land street.
Lillie M. Spencer to Freeman S. Her-
sey, land and buildings on Par-
ker street.
Charlotte L. Ryan to Joseph Lolselle,
land on Seventh avenue.

Wilmington
Fanny Brand et al. to Jeremiah F.
Durgin et al., land at Nuttings Lake
Park Annex.
Arthur Brown et al. to Mary A. Mc-
Carthy, land on Sunset road, H. Alken,
land and buildings, cor. Holt street and
North Billerica and Lowell road.
Agnes T. Fay to Joseph F. Fay, land
and buildings.

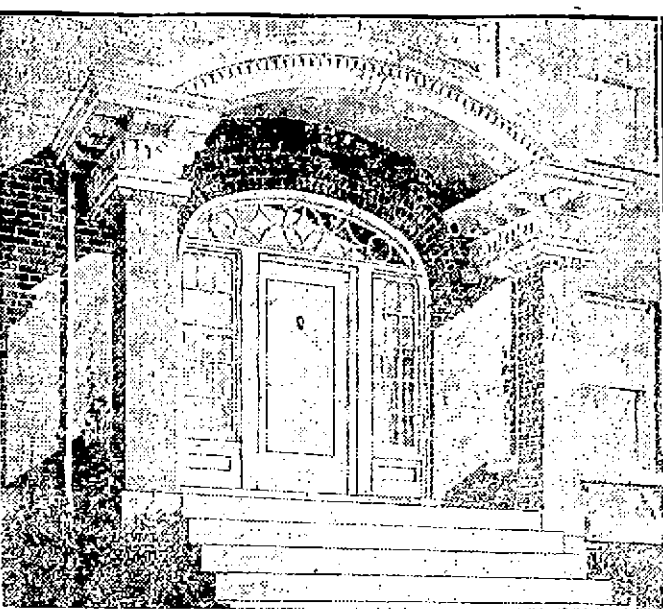
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and buildings.
Catherine F. Fay et al. by gdn. to
Joseph F. Fay, land and buildings.
Walter A. Burke, Jr. to Charles J.
Porter, land at The Pines.
Emily Dwyer et al. to James E.
Thompson, land at Pinehurst Manor.
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Tenckbury
Charles W. Buckley et al. to Arthur
Concord, land on Talbot and Ois
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Ellis Skidell to Jessie Davis, land
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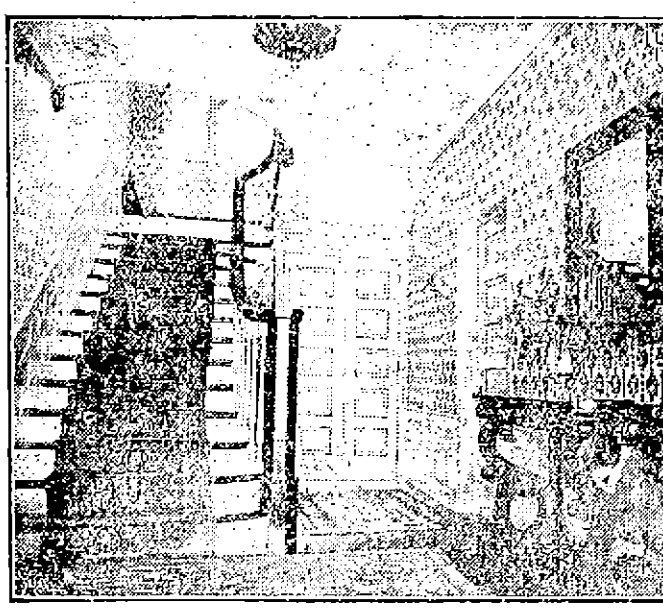
Wilmington
Edward S. Eton et al. to Edward E.
Archer, land on Francis street.
Charles H. Bell to Walter E. Bell,
land and buildings on Burlington ave-
nue.
Charles B. Orlon et al. to Town of
Wilmington, land on Middlesex avenue.

NINE KILLED IN TRAIN WRECK
COWAN, Tenn., Dec. 24.—Eight in-
fants and one trainman were killed
near here late yesterday in a collision
between a freight train on which they
were riding, and a fast Nashville,
Chattanooga & St. Louis passenger
train. Another trainman was proba-
bly fatally injured.

COLONIAL DOOR AND STAIRWAY



PERSPECTIVE VIEW—FROM A PHOTOGRAPH



INTERIOR VIEW, COLONIAL STAIRWAY

This colonial stairway can only be used in a colonial design on the exterior. It can be made very attractive by using a combination of mahogany and ivory white. The novel hand rail and treads of mahogany. The risers and balusters of ivory white. In the hall the architect advises antique mahogany furniture. This residence can either be of framework or brick veneer as shown on the exterior view. Cost to build with brick veneer, according to size, inside of \$10,000.

FULL COMMAND

Gen. Sir Wm. Robertson
Takes Entire Charge
of British Forces

LONDON, Dec. 24.—Henceforth the conduct of the war, as far as Great Britain is concerned, will devolve upon General Sir William Robertson, the new imperial chief of staff.

This unofficial but generally understood fact has been received with relief throughout the country, for Robertson is considered perhaps the greatest military genius that England has produced.

This is proved by the fact that he has risen to his present commanding position from the very lowest ranks of the army. Not only that, but before enlisting as a private soldier he served in the very humble capacity of footman, so that his rise to such a supreme height of power is due to genius alone.

Due to Nation's Unrest
The new developments in the matter of the military leadership of the empire are due to the unrest, and to some extent dissatisfaction, which has been felt over the conduct of the war so far. As was said in the house of commons a day or two ago the verbiage "too late" could be applied to several important operations of the allies. It is realized that this state of things has been largely due to the fact that there has not existed at any time since the war began a general staff of sufficient ability to cope with the magnitude of the operations involved.

At the beginning some of the ablest members of the existing general staff had to go to the front, and the result was that men who could not at all be considered men of military genius had to direct war operations, which month by month extended and developed beyond all hitherto conceived bounds.

Thus Kitchener in addition to raising armies of millions had to look after the supply of munitions and hundreds of other things which no mortal could keep in touch with at one time.

A tremendous improvement came when a separate department for munitions there has been no genius to guide the general conduct of the war and the result has been failure in many fields.

It is expected that now all this will be changed. Sir William Robertson is considered on all hands to be the man of the hour for supreme director of war operations, and he will call to his aid men who have attained distinction in the same field.

Kitchener May Go East
Under the new regime Earl Kitchener will lose much of his power and prestige, and there are some who think that he may be given new duties in the east. His work of raising armies is pretty well completed, for under the recruiting regime which has been in operation for some time past the Earl of Derby has been the directing head. Thus Kitchener could be transferred to Egypt or India without much interference with the home operations as they are to be carried out in future. And as vicerey of the east, Kitchener would have a sphere of operations important

3,693,310 IN BAY STATE

Census of Mass. Taken April 1 Announced—Lowell Sixth City—Interesting Comparisons

BOSTON, Dec. 24.—The census of Massachusetts, taken on April 1, 1915, shows the total population of the commonwealth on that date to have been 3,693,310, according to the official returns filed yesterday by Director Charles V. Gettemy of the bureau of statistics with the secretary of state.

The decennial census contains the total population and the number of legal voters of the 353 cities and towns. The figures show that there has been an increase of 57 per cent. over the population at the United States census five years ago, and an increase of nearly 23 per cent. over the census of 1905. The total number of legal voters in the state is 775,853, an increase of 101,715, or 13.1 per cent. over the number in 1905.

A "legal voter," within the meaning of the census, is a person possessing the constitutional qualifications for voting, and it is upon the basis of the number of legal voters that representation in the legislature is determined.

Interesting Comparisons
In giving out the figures, Director Gettemy made the following statement: "Massachusetts has a population by this census greater by 227,000 than the entire combined population of the twelve states according to the last United States census: Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Vermont, Delaware, Montana, Utah, New Mexico, Idaho, Arizona, Wyoming and Nevada."

"Boston, moreover, has a population at this census which exceeds that of any one of the states just mentioned and greater, also than that of each of the following states: Oregon, South Dakota and North Dakota. The population of Maine by the last census was 742,371, or about 3000 less than that of Boston in 1915.

"The population of Boston is nearly as great as the combined population of Hampshire, Bristol, Norfolk, Berkshire, Hampshire and Franklin counties. One ward of the city of Boston, ward 5, has a population (77,573) greater than any one of the following cities of the state: North Adams, Pittsfield, Attleboro, Taunton, Beverly, Gloucester, Haverhill, Newburyport, Chelsea, Malden, Marblehead, Weymouth, Everett, Quincy, Brockton, Chelsea and Revere. The population of the Boston wards runs all the way from 18,491 in ward 25 to 77,573 in ward 5, ward 5 has the largest number of legal voters, 19,714, and ward 25, the smallest, 2913.

Probably Sixth in Population
"Massachusetts is probably still sixth in population rank among the states of the Union, as she was in 1910, but in density our is the most thickly populated state in the Union, except Rhode Island, for there are now living in Massachusetts approximately 150 persons to the square mile (the density of Rhode Island being, according to its state census of the current year, 355).

"The density of our population has considerably more than doubled in 10 years, for in 1915 it was only about 25 to the square mile; in 1910 it was 418, so that the increase has been about 42 to the square mile during the past five years.

"Forty years ago nearly 31 per cent. of the population resided in towns of 5000 and under, and 67 per cent. in places over 5000. This latter ratio has been gradually creeping up until in 1915 it amounted to over 57 per cent., while the census taken this year shows that nearly 50 per cent. of the population of the commonwealth resides in places of over 5000.

"According to the United States census of 1910 five cities, Boston, Worcester, Fall River, Lowell and Cambridge, were in the group of 100,000 or over; within the past five years two cities, namely, New Bedford and Springfield, have passed the 100,000 mark, making a total of seven in the group. The seven largest cities show an increase over the population of five years ago.

Detailed Tabulations Coming
"Opportunity has not yet been afforded for a careful analysis of the population figures of the census of the current year, such as will be accomplished in later published bulletins. The issue of which is contemplated from time to time, and it ought, perhaps, to be stated for the benefit of the numerous persons in the community who are constantly displaying interest in the composition of the population, that the tabulations giving the various classifications according to country birth, parent activity, conjugal condition, etc., and certain correlations of these data with each other will consume several months in the compilation and analysis.

"The first compilations to be undertaken now that the total population with the simplest division, according to sex, and the number of local voters as required by the constitution, has been determined, will be those involving tabulations by ages and the preparation of a special report embodying information desired by the legislature in connection with its consideration of the subject of old-age pensions, the statute requiring these compilations to be given preference.

Special Study for Boston
"When all the regular tabulations are out of the way, a special tabulation of the population of Boston by occupations, which there are approximately 4000, will be undertaken pursuant to a petition of the city council, based upon the request of the city planning board and social workers interested in having tabulations of the population by smaller units than wards.

"To take the census, a total of 1939 enumerators was required, including those appointed to make the returns for public institutions. Not counting the latter, of the 1915 who actually served in the field making the house-to-house canvass, 1495 were men and 150 were women.

"Classified by age periods, 135 were under 20, those 20 to 25 inclusive, numbered 232; those from 25 to 30 inclusive were 809 in number; and there

were 52 over 60. Classified by nativity, 1752 enumerators were native born, 1511 being natives of Massachusetts and 167 were foreign-born. Of the foreign-born enumerators, 43 gave England as their place of birth, 36 gave Canada, 25 gave Russia and 26 gave Ireland, and 13 other countries were represented by from one to nine each."

Changes in Cities
Of middle-size cities, Brockton has now passed Holyoke and Haverhill has passed Malden, while Chelsea, which the year set back in 1910 to 21st place, is now in 15th, having passed Newton, Quincy, Hingham, Everett, Salem and Taunton. Salem's population is about 2500 smaller than in 1910, because of its great fire and it has just reversed Chelsea's change, dropping from 15th to 21st place.

Cities and towns that show much gain since 1910 are Quincy, Pittsfield, Medford, Peabody, Attleboro and Weymouth, but especially Revere, which has practically doubled its population in 10 years and risen from 24th place in 1905 to 31st in 1910 and 27th now. Smaller relative growth is that of Newton, Brookline, Beverly, Westfield and Framingham, though they have risen in rank somewhat.

On the other hand, places that have notably fallen behind in the line of growth, even if making some actual gain in population, are, besides Salem, the cities of Gloucester, North Adams, Northampton, Leominster, Woburn, Newburyport and Marlboro. This is brought out in the following table, which gives the population of the 12 now largest municipalities in the state in 1915, 1910 and 1905:

	1915	1910	1905
Boston	745,423	670,555	595,338
Worcester	162,697	115,355	128,135
Fall River	121,791	115,225	105,752
N. Bedford	109,565	96,582	74,352
Cambridge	108,822	101,535	97,434
Lowell	107,975	106,294	94,882
Springfield	102,571	88,925	75,640
Lynn	95,503	89,336	77,042
Lawrence	90,255	85,302	70,559
Somerville	86,551	77,236	65,572
Brockton	82,350	72,481	62,111
Holyoke	80,516	67,730	49,531
Haverhill	45,449	41,115	37,530
Malden	48,907	44,404	38,037
Chelsea	48,907	44,404	38,037
Newton	43,113	38,006	32,827
Quincy	40,674	32,612	29,078
Plymouth	39,656	37,826	33,021
Weymouth	35,007	32,121	25,001
Everett	37,718	32,121	25,001
Salem	37,200	33,927	31,827
Taunton	39,161	31,259	30,367
Medford	30,299	27,702	23,436
Waltham	36,151	27,834	26,232
Chelsea	30,128	25,401	20,191
Gloucester	23,178	18,213	12,653
Beverly	22,959	18,650	15,223
No. Adams	22,035	22,019	22,150
Northampton	21,654	19,431	19,857
Peabody	20,579	18,721	16,818
Attleboro	15,450	16,215	12,702
Westfield	18,411	16,044	10,611
Leominster	17,616	15,550	14,287
Melrose	16,350	14,509	14,215
Woburn	16,515	12,875	11,258
Gardner	16,376	14,553	12,012
Framingham	15,470	13,518	11,548
Newburyport	15,311	14,912	14,673
Marlboro	13,250	14,579	11,073

WORD FROM BERNHARDT

SENDS MESSAGE TELLING OF HER ILLNESS—NOT COMING TO AMERICA

PARIS, Dec. 24.—The Petit Journal today publishes a telegram received from Sarah Bernhardt, who is at her home in Andornes, near Bordeaux relative to her reported illness. Her message is quoted as follows:

"I was suddenly stopped while 'Les Cathedrales' was in full tide of success, by congestion of the lungs. I thought myself cured and came back to Paris too soon, where I had a relapse, but am again recovering. From the several times I have said I will not allow me to leave for America but will permit me to go to England in a week's time."

EAGAN BEATS SAVAGE

BOSTON, Dec. 24.—More than 400 members attended the boxing show last night at the Business Men's A. A. in Roxbury. Three 10-round bouts were on the card and each proved interesting.

Joe Eagan of the South End and Jack Savage of the Navy clashed in the feature bout. Savage belongs to Brockton and as an amateur was known as John W. Savage. He showed to better advantage last night than he did when a "pure" and made things hot for Eagan for five rounds.

In the sixth, however, Eagan came strong. His experience counting in his favor, Eagan landed a few heavy blows from left and right hand wallop that Eagan put through his defense. Savage went to his corner very tired. From this point to the end, Eagan out-pointed Savage and had him hanging all through the ninth and tenth rounds. Eagan was awarded the decision.

NOTICE!

W. L. LITTLEHALE, for the past 15 years employed by the Weymouth win, has opened a NEW SHOP AT 208 MIDDLESEX STREET, and is prepared to take orders for screens, weather strips, etc.

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PEACE QUESTION

European Socialists Collectively Have Taken Up Discussion

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 24, via London, 11:33 a. m.—A number of prominent socialists from all the belligerent countries except Italy, met last Wednesday at The Hague, to discuss steps which might be taken to help bring about a speedy peace, according to the Telegram today.

The newspaper says that the meeting was held at the offices of the International socialist bureau. The discussions were of a very provisional character, it adds. The Dutch delegates of the International bureau had the proceedings under their direction.

MURDER ON HIGH SEAS

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 24.—Eight men, the entire crew of the American schooner Mark Pendleton, were arrested on charges growing out of the killing of Thomas Brown, a member of the crew, on the high seas. They will be held pending investigation.

The Mark Pendleton left St. Michael, the Azores, Nov. 1. Several days later the American consul at that place notified the department of justice of Brown's death, and the marshal here was instructed to arrest the crew.

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Two-Act Railroad Drama. Other Children's Performance Tomorrow Forenoon

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JEWELER 137 CENTRAL STREET

AMUSEMENT NOTES

B. F. KEITH'S THEATRE

When Rusty, the ne'er-do-well dog at the B. F. Keith's theatre this week, plunges himself down on a barrel and sits there, he does it with all the satisfaction which a man would expect. Rusty, in fact, impersonates the kind of man who doesn't like work, and who does like something else. And he comes to great grief just at the close of the act. This dog is without doubt the most perfectly trained one on the stage today. For companions, however, there are several others which have been taught to do very funny things. It should be stated that during the 15 minutes the dogs are in view no person appears. They carry on the little act all by themselves. Quite the most laughable incident is the elegiac, in which a dog comes down the ladder very quietly and is hustled away by her true love. The butcher, who stands in front of his shop, with paws folded, is also another most unusual performer in this act. Many hundreds of little ones have seen this act during the week, and grown-ups, too, have marvelled at the performance of the dogs. Kenney & Hollis, who are known as the original college boys, give their splendid comedy turn. Kenney is one of the most original funny men in the business. He can turn himself to about anything in the entertainment line, and through his versatility always pleases. Spencer Kelly and Marion Wilder, assisted by Charlotte Maloney, violinist, and Dorothy Haynes, pianist, give the superb musical turn "Melodies—Past and Present." "Gallagher and Martin" are also contributors to the fun of the week. The Three Floos are acrobatic comedians, and the Ramsdell Duo dance very prettily at the opening of the show. McShane & Rob-

AMUSEMENT NOTES

inson are blackface comedians. Good seats are obtainable. "Phone 28.

OPERA HOUSE

Tonight and tomorrow (Christmas day) are the last chances for the theatregoers of this city to see "The Big Idea," the great Colman and Harris masterpiece which is making such a tremendous hit and which has been playing in big houses all the week.

Patrons are advised to see this performance today, and as many who can attend the matinee performance on Christmas day, as hundreds are certain to be turned away in the evening.

The wisest plan is to attend either the matinee or evening performance today. If you want to see this splendid attraction, seats will be reserved by phoning 261.

Sunday afternoon and night, the Opera House will present a rippling good program of vaudeville and picture features with five big acts and hosts of photoplay subjects, including the latest releases in both comedies and dramas. There will be the usual two performances, the matinee starting at 2:15 o'clock, while the evening performance will start at 7:45, and as many are turned away on Sunday evenings, the best plan is to attend the matinee if it is possible. The Six Harmonists, in a novel musical offering, are one of the biggest hits in recent years, and an act which will be a treat for Lowell audiences. Joe Hardman, "the King of comedians," has a bundle of new songs and gags which open the footlights of laughter. Hoey and Bell, in the newest song hits, sprinkled with a bright line of dialogue, is another act that is certain to be on the winning side for applause. Ruth Goodwin, the "Southern Nightingale," and Dyes and Marshall, in songs and chatter, complete the program. It is one of the finest offered in Lowell in years, with every act a top-notch and every picture a feature. The packed houses will talk about this show for weeks to come.

All next week, starting with a special non-stop matinee on Monday, the Emerson Players will present the most famous play of the century, "Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm," and Miss Ann O'Day, the popular leading lady of the Emerson Players, who has been away for the past two weeks, will make her reappearance in the title role. "Rebecca" has been secured for one week only by special arrangement with Kate Douglas Wiggin and Charlotte Thompson, the authors, and already there is big demand for seats for the attraction. Of particular interest to the theatregoers of this city is the fact that this play was originally produced in Lowell at topmost prices, and is one of the first cities in the country that the play is

being produced in at popular prices—prices within the reach of every purse.

"Rebecca" is a wonderful story of New England life, telling the story of a young girl choiceful of life, who goes to live with her maternal aunts and who, after a trying life, succeeds in winning their affection and showing the brighter side of living. Throughout the play there is plenty of New England atmosphere and the actors of life in Maine, only a short way from Lowell, are brilliant.

A wonderful production of "Rebecca" will be given with the rainstorm, the rain dance, the old stage coach and all the original features prominently shown. For the past ten days the entire stage crew and the scenic department have been busy at work on the production, and the greatest offering ever attempted in Lowell will be given. It is wise to order seats early and avoid the rush.

MERRIMACK SQUARE THEATRE

Big, jolly Naclon Arbuckle appeared in his most delightful role at the Merrimack Square Theatre yesterday afternoon and evening at all the performances, and gave a characteristically funny impersonation of the political boss in the five-act Paramount feature in which he is now starring during the remainder of this week at the Merrimack Square theatre.

The "Big Idea" in the title of the absorbing story which Mr. Arbuckle vitalizes with his stellar acting. This play will be shown today and tomorrow at all the performances given at the Merrimack Square theatre. In addition will be shown a screaming comedy, entitled "Kidnapping the King's Kids," a two-act railroad drama and a Nestor comedy. Don't miss these pictures.

"Tip Van Winkle" will be presented at the children's performance tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock at the Merrimack Square theatre.

OWL THEATRE

"The Strife Eternal," the masterpiece of the film world in five colossal acts, will be the attraction at the Owl theatre today and tomorrow. Featured in this great Mutual masterpiece is celebrated star, Blanche Forsythe, and she is ably assisted by a company of over three thousand people, the largest cast ever required to produce a motion picture.

The story of "The Strife Eternal" is the story of the enthralling romance of Jane Shore. At first we see her the King's favorite, endowed with marvelous beauty and a wonderful intellect. On account of these natural endowments she is able to live a life of lavish splendor in an age which is full of cruelty, conspiracy and war. How she falls from the high pedestal of a royal favorite to the lowly position of a beggar, friendless and alone, forms one of the most tragic narratives ever filmed. No real motion picture fan will miss this opportunity to see this magnificent production in two hundred wonderful scenes in which over three thousand players appear. Many other excellent attractions will also be presented.

ROYAL THEATRE

"Evermore," the first episode of "The Red Circle," Pathe-Balboa's new appeal, will be shown every Friday and Saturday at the Royal theatre, and it is seen today and tomorrow at this popular motion picture house. The story in brief of the first episode tells of Max Lamont, who has been on the trail of the Houdouin master crooks for years. This family is known by a red circle, a birthmark, on the back of their right hand. Jim, the eldest, and his son Jim are the only living members of this notorious family. Upon the release of Jim, he sees his son stealing from someone. Mortified, he brings him to a secret passageway. There, realizing that they are a menace to society, he determines to end all future trouble by ending his and his son's life, which he does. Later,

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Children measure their years from Christmas to Christmas; they look forward to each successive holiday with eagerness and expectation and when it has gone they think with a great sinking of the heart that it will not come back again until the snows of the season have given way to spring and summer and autumn and the snows of another year. It is a long, long time to the heart of childhood; it is all too short to the heart that has put away childish things—but are we not all children at Christmas?

They who are not children at Christmas are to be pitied. For them there is no witchery in the wreaths of holly or the mystic mistletoe. Santa Claus will bring no gifts of illusion to men who doubt his existence and they who refuse to become as little children shall miss the sacred exaltation of spirit that comes from contemplation of the group at Bethlehem. Luckily, these are the few; for the great majority, Christmas is a time of love, and holiness and happiness, and we know from the poets that the good are always the happy.

Christmas time is a happy time, and why should not America be happy tonight and tomorrow? The glory of the season is on the land and joy is in the hearts of the people. The hills have given their trees to make the children rejoice, and peace and plenty have showered their blessings on city and farm and hamlet. The green and red tokens of the time have been hung in the windows, the stores have given of their gifts of love and friendship, and tonight there will be millions of fluttering expectant hearts in thousands of happy homes. The little stockings hang by the fireplace, the larder is full of good things for the table and the Christmas spirit falls from the sky like the snow that brings God's message of peace to His people. In the churches the little cribs have been set out as they have been down the centuries and tomorrow the great organs will swell out exultantly and the voices of the singers will join in the song "Peace on earth to men of good will."

Christmas has been the greatest inspiration of the world since the night over nineteen hundred years ago when Christ was born in Bethlehem and when the shepherds saw the great light on the hills. It has been the source of the most beautiful national customs. It has thrilled painter and poet and composer and his story is the brightest star in the darkness of time. In the romantic medieval days when art and beauty were the handmaids of religion, it gave the world its greatest cathedrals and pictures and statues. Over and over again the dreamers gave their conception of the group of Bethlehem with Joseph and Mary bowed in wonderment and reverence over a little babe in a manger. The story of Christmas is a wonderful story that has lost nothing in the passing of the years. It is a story of joy and blessedness and hope.

Today the angels sing again their song of peace, but there is no peace on earth. In other lands many homes are desolate and the thoughts of millions of fighting men travel from the trenches to homes in France and Germany and England and the other warring nations. Men that Christ was born to save are destroying each other with brutal ferocity and the light of the angels shows scenes that should not be. Children surround desolate mothers in saddened homes and the gifts that were meant for the Christmas tree have been sent to the battlefields. Many homes that once sheltered holiday groups are blackened ruins and the rulers pray to Odin and Thor instead of the child of the city of David.

Still, Christmas time is a time of hope. When Christ was born the world was a great deal like the world of today. Nations ruled by night and men had run riot in lust for power and conquest. Not long before the teachings and the influence of Christ had changed the face of the earth and love and human brotherhood became the ideals of mankind. Is it too much to hope that the like shall happen again—that soon the spirit of Christ shall quell the mad passions of men and that a resurrected world shall bow in sorrow and hope before the manger? May it be so. In this great land of peace and plenty and Christmas cheer let us hope and pray that when Christmas comes again the whole world shall enjoy its beauty and happiness as we enjoy them today. Soon may the song of the angels be heard above the exhortations of the kaisers and the kings, the sultans and the emperors and may the message "Peace on earth" drown out the booming of the cannon!

TO ANNEX DRACUT

The movement for a stadium at First street on the Centerville back of the Merrimack river and the consequent development of the land along the river bank, including a new highway to Indian Orchard, revives interest in the proposition for the annexation of Dracut. If Lowell is to grow

in area, industry and population, the annexation of surrounding territory is the logical move, and Dracut is the most desirable area to annex, from the Lowell point of view.

The fact that Lowell falls to sixth place among the cities of the state is due to her lack of territory to permit her free growth in the most convenient directions.

At present Lowell houses its 111,000 population in a total area of slightly over 9,000 acres, the only city of its size in Massachusetts to be so restricted. Springfield has 24,661 acres, New Bedford 20,126, Fall River 25,154, Worcester 24,565, Holyoke 14,585, Brockton 13,795, and so on down the line. Many of these cities have a population considerably smaller than that of our city. Taunton, for instance, houses 35,831 people in an area of 31,264 acres and Pittsfield houses 35,531 in an area of 25,500 acres. In a list of twenty-one cities of Massachusetts, Lowell is the most congested, with the one exception of Cambridge where proximity to Boston makes conditions entirely different.

The annexation of Dracut would give Lowell a chance to grow in the right direction—and Lowell is sadly in need of elbow room. The city is growing away from its business center and our residential districts are stretching out beyond reason in a few directions. It was suggested last year that Lowell should annex all the surrounding territory within a radius of three miles from Merrimack square, and this would mean the annexation of a considerable part of Dracut, where the feeling for annexation is strong and growing.

Until we annex surrounding territory it is useless to talk of the growth of Lowell in a broad sense. Now, all our mills and factories are running to capacity and our workers are practically all employed. The city has built out to its limits and beyond its limits and yet the recent census showed that we are in danger of running behind some cities that we have hitherto led in population and in general prosperity. If we are to grow in size, in influence and in population we must annex territory ere long—and Dracut offers the best solution of the annexation problem.

COL. HOUSE'S MISSION

Washington officials seemed very anxious to correct the impression that Col. E. M. House, President Wilson's confidential agent, is going to Europe on a peace mission. This may be understood in view of the unwelcome attention that the Ford peace expedition has attracted, and it would not be well for the impression to go abroad that a direct representative of the American government had anything to do with the visionary scheme. As explained at headquarters, Col. House is going to the capitals of Europe in order to give the American interpretation of international law to the different governments and also in order to discover what the foreign points of view are in the various controversies with this nation. While this may not be directly a peace mission, it will prepare the way for peace, and President Wilson must have considered its possible effect in making the foreign nations look to the United States for mediation when the proper time arrives. Furthermore, it will be of immense advantage to the administration to get the personal opinion of a man who has been in touch with all the leading governments at this critical time.

PROTEST OF FASHION

When the war broke out and importations from abroad became disorganized, there were agitations for the creation of new American industries. One of these was for the substitution of American fashions for the Parisian fashions that have led the pace for so long. There were many skeptics, some declaring that Paris always must wear the crown of fashion. There is good reason to suppose, however, that the movement was partly successful in only a few days ago a syndicate of French tailors protested to New York against some aspects of the American trade which are proving injurious to French interests. If American firms are injuring French trade to the extent of providing fashions for American men and women, so much the better. The more we patronize Fifth avenue or Tremont street or Merrimack street, as the case may be, the better for American business and for American reputation everywhere. We do not have to patronize Paris, to the loss of American business and values. Then, why do we do it?

MATCHING NAVIES

The arguments of the navy board which has advised the creation of an American navy equal to the largest of all the other nations are in some respects naive. They presuppose, apparently, that while we are increasing our navy to such an enormous extent the other powers will remain as they are, or were before the war. This is highly improbable. England has always meant to keep the mastery of the seas, and it has been her aim to keep her navy far ahead of the navy of any other power. Shall England, then, allow us to increase our navy until it is superior to hers without in turn doing something to meet our

preparation? Not likely. If our policy is to be one of matching the largest navy, the other nations will keep us going, and as a result the militarism of the past half century will not be a circumstance to the militarism to come. For the present, America ought to be satisfied with an army and navy for defence, but these should be efficient enough and large enough to protect the country from any possible foe from without.

DESERVED PENSIONS

The newspapers are so filled with agitations and news of requests for undeserved pensions that the granting of a pension in worthy cases stands out in grateful contrast. Such an instance was reported in the Boston papers yesterday in the case of the widows of the two brave foremen who lost their lives in the performance of their duty last Wednesday. A bill has been filed in the legislature to pay the wives of the dead firemen an annuity of \$300 each—and it deserves to pass. If the state and the various cities cut out the unnecessary and unearned pensions, and shut down on nifty applicants for the future, there would be money in abundance to pay to those who are entitled to pensions. Of such are the wives and dependent families of public servants who have given up their lives in the service of the people. There should be pensions for the heroes of peace as well as for the heroes of war.

GIRL CALLED "CHICKEN"

MISS PAUL HAD HER FORMER STEADY ARRESTED—DEFENSE QUOTED ENGLISH CLASSIC

NASHUA, N. H., Dec. 24.—Ex-Alderman Thomas F. Moran quoted classic literature in district court yesterday morning to back up his contention that it is not derogatory to call a woman a chicken. Had his client, Charles Dubuque, referred to the complainant, Sara Paul, as an "old hen" or a "buzard" the case might be different, he admitted. From the dictionary the lawyer quoted Dean Swift's reference to Stella being no chicken as meaning that she was no longer youthful. Miss Paul had Dubuque arrested on a desecration charge. She testified that some days ago she received through the mail a package which contained a chicken's head. Wednesday evening as she and Miss Hickey were passing along Pearl street, Dubuque, passing along Pearl street, Dubuque, remarked "the chickens are out tonight." She said she had been Dubuque's "steady" for some time. Miss Nadeau testified that she was now keeping company with Dubuque and a short time ago received a letter of four pages threatening her life if she did not marry him. Dubuque testified that while he might have said "chickens" he did not intend the words for the complainant and her companions. He denied that he sent the chicken's head. Miss Paul denied she sent the letter to Miss Nadeau. Judge Frank B. Clancy discharged Dubuque.

CHRISTMAS EVE AT ASSOCIATE

Associate hall will be the scene of merriment and festivity this evening when the throngs of pleasure seekers will gather to attend the concert and dance which will be given by the Holly club. This entertainment is one of the principal ones of the evening and it is expected that large crowds will attend. If you are in search of good solid entertainment this evening, for either yourself or friends, come to Associate hall. The pleasing concert will be followed by a dance, the music for which will be furnished by Miner's Merry Musicians. The admission is 25 cents. Come one—come all.

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That Fred's goat story brought down the house.
That many trains of thought carry no freight.
That nobody loves the girl with the painted face.
That to have done well obligates us to do so still.
That a green Christmas maketh the undertakers smile.
That the colonel put one over at Tuesday's meeting.
That some kinds of cheese are seen and some are heard.
That Francis M. Qua put over a surprise with a big S.
That the postoffice employees have earned their holiday.
That Charlie Morse can discuss art with the best of 'em.
That you ought not to neglect hearing the Christmas music.
That as usual father will get a necktie for Christmas.
That Lowell people traded at home and did well by doing it.
That the slaughter of the Turks was big during the past week.
That New Year's eve will be celebrated by many local clubs.
That the only fellow who has any money left is the lightward.
That the jokes about the Ford cars are getting to be chestnuts.
That when Barnum says "two feet and a half" everybody moves.
That the cops' hall will be one of the first socials of the new year.
That the consulting architect seems inclined to be very reasonable.
That the Yuletide season brings little cheer to the lodge of sorrow.
That the license commission is sought by numerous candidates.
That the downtown merchants did a rushing business this week.
That if you have a dollar left over you haven't done your full duty.
That the storekeepers are well satisfied with the Christmas business.
That the coming banquet of the board of trade will be some event.
That the book of marriage intentions at city hall is an interesting volume.
That Commissioner Carmichael knows what a "double cross" means.
That yesterday's rain put a kink in the plans of the boy with a new sled.
That Lowell has too many real plans ahead to waste time in foolish ones.
That the high school boys will root to a man for a stadium at First street.
That many people are beginning to make good resolutions for the year 1916.
That the average pocketbook is rather flat after the Christmas shopping.
That if a man's head is full of anecdotes it is usually empty of anything else.
That very often the woman who looks self-possessed belongs to some man.
That the careless waitress still continues to pick her teeth with the menu card.
That in attempting to make money one is likely to succeed in making enemies.
That one little boy thought Santa Claus had a wife named Mary Christmas.
That there will be something doing at the Lafayette club on New Year's eve.
That the woman who wore summer furs doesn't quite know what to wear now.
That a wholesale presentation of gold watches took place in James street this week.
That the best giver is the giver who gives, knowing that there will be no return.
That John Duff's friends are glad to note the daily improvement in his health.
That 'tis a pity we can't have Christmas trees without denying the forests.
That the little James sisters found Sgt. Petrie an amiable traveling companion.
That many a man makes a profession of entertaining in order to be entertained.
That to hear of a Lowell cop being kidnapped wouldn't be very much of a surprise.
That the turkey is just as good as at Thanksgiving, but it does not taste the same.
That Lieut. Louis St. Jean will make an ideal presiding officer for the C.M.A.C.
That the Lowell basketball team will

have to get into better form to attract good crowds.
That the \$100,000 distributed by the United States Cartridge Co. yesterday helped home.
That the price asked for those war scenes for the Memorial building seems pretty steep.
That few men can discuss city affairs more interestingly than Colonel Carmichael.
That the patrolmen on the icehouse and other famous beats are more cheerful than ever.
That Santa will at least bring a glow of happiness to everybody except the chronic grouch.
That Major Kittredge is there with the goods when it comes to organizing a Battalion night.
That the Elks did a great amount of good work through their Christmas charity fund.
That many would like to attend the midnight mass at the French-American orphanage tonight.
That Colonel Carmichael's interviews on the water and fire departments are very illuminating.
That Owen Monahan says there's no truth in the report that he is about to join the benedictines.
That those who eat too much turkey tomorrow will have a chance to rest up on Sunday.
That the theory that it is never too late to mend, influences a lot of us to cobble our bad habits.
That a thousand women who can drive a bargain not more than half a dozen can drive a nail.
That the increase in pay to the Cartridge company was the finest kind of a Christmas present.
That the Christmas tree on the common tonight promises to be a big feature of the observance.
That less than one per cent. of those who started a day at the beginning of the year got it up.
That the fat woman has an advantage over the slim one when it comes to hanging up stockings.
That Phil is still singing "open up the window, open wide the door and let the little sunshine in."
That the children of the French-American orphanage will spend a most enjoyable day tomorrow.
That it was just as difficult this year to pick out suitable presents as it was in previous years.
That this will be the most prosperous Christmas season that Lowell has seen in many a long year.
That while you can measure the chaos of the streets, the same does not hold true of the dog.
That the Bellevue club will give the old year a royal send off by a banquet and all the trimmings.
That there will be installations galore among the local fraternal and social organizations in January.
That an ad in a Buffalo paper asks for a woman to play second violin. They don't make 'em that way.
That the textile campus in Pawtucket, Rhode Island, is an ideal skating rink for both children and adults.
That there is not much choice between a repudiation and a vindication, when the other one is vindicated.
That an upper Gorham street young lady, employed at the telephone office, is wearing a beautiful diamond ring.
That Frederick Florence is wondering who sent him the Christmas gift addressed in care of Charles Shart.
That Lowell has had some pretty sensational stories of late, and the Boston papers made the most of them.
That a newspaperman who has been vigorously crying down gambling in all its forms lost \$700 on the election.
That the home Christmas while still being a good thing, is not so good as the new idea of the community Christmas.
That the more the present council does on old matters, the less responsibility will there be for the new council.
That the fellow who waited in vain for a Fletcher street car Monday night decided there was "no such animal."
That judging from the droves of shoppers down town this week, Santa Claus is going to be good to everybody.
That in your enthusiasm to give presents to your friends in comfortable circumstances, don't forget the poor.
That the clerks in the local stores will be glad when they complete their work tonight for it has been a very strenuous week.
That there is talk of a commission of citizens to act in an advisory capacity on the work of constructing the new high school.
That despite the set-back given the local merchants by Saturday's inclement weather, they did fail to exceed all Christmas records.
That an anti-trading law properly enforced would do more for the cause of temperance than all the flying squadrons now on the wing.
That after his installation as president of Carillon council, Charles Barry will be the youngest presiding officer in Union St. Jean Baptiste d'Amérique.
That it's a good idea to give the other fellow a chance to talk. He may have on the end of his tongue the very thing you have been waiting to fight out.
That Bishop De Silva, who is an accomplished musician, has a grand and unusually attractive program of Christmas music for the services at St. Anthony's church.
That the Y.M.C. will distribute "peace" and "goodwill" gifts on Christmas day with "Hucker" as Santa Claus, but they'll miss the genial presence of the late Ed Shea on that occasion.
That since election day Mayor-elect O'Donnell has been besieged by job-seekers, for every position in which it is thought a chance is likely to be made, and there are about 40 applicants for every position.
That all members of the present city government are in favor of a group picture of the first city government under the commission form of government being placed in the public reception room or elsewhere at city hall.

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GENERAL FILM CO. SUED

IMPERIAL FILM EXCHANGE ASKS \$750,000 DAMAGE FOR ALLEGED RUINATION OF ITS BUSINESS

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—A suit demanding treble damages of \$750,000, under the Sherman anti-trust law, was filed yesterday in the United States district court here by the Imperial Film Exchange of New York against the leading manufacturers and lessors of motion picture films. The complaint alleges that the defendants conspired to ruin its business and accomplished their purpose.

The defendants are the General Film Co., the Vitaphone Co. of America, the Pathe Freres, the Kalem Co., the Edison Manufacturing Co., the Essanay Film Manufacturing Co., the Lubin Manufacturing Co., the Selig Polyscope Co., George Kleine, Inc., and the Motion Picture Patents Co. In its complaint the Imperial Film Exchange states that it was organized in 1905 and that in April, 1910, it was owner of 1000 different moving picture films, had more than 100 regular weekly customers in New York and other states and made a profit of \$50,000 per annum from the rental of films. The nine other defendants, formed the General Film Co., as a moving picture exchange for the alleged purpose of monopolizing the sale and distribution of films in the United States.

The same month, it is charged, the Pathe, Kalem and Lubin companies filed a petition in involuntary bankruptcy against the Imperial Film Exchange, placing it in the hands of a temporary receiver. When the receiver filed the petition, the Imperial Exchange was solvent, two months later, the plaintiff declares, its business had shrunk to 20 customers, its weekly income had dwindled to \$250 and its business was mostly in the hands of the General Film Co. The complaint seeks damages of \$250,000 and in accordance with the provisions of the Sherman law, asks a judgment for \$750,000 against the defendants.

VENIZOS INTERVIEWED

FORMER GREEK PREMIER DISCUSSES RECENT PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS

PARIS, Dec. 24.—The Athens correspondent of the Figaro sends an interview secured from M. Venizelos, former Greek premier concerning the recent parliamentary elections in Greece in which the adherents of M. Gounaris, minister of the interior, were successful and in which the Venizelos party abstained in most cases from going to the polls. The correspondent quotes M. Venizelos as follows: "The elections were a brilliant triumph of my policy and ideas. A great majority of the voters abstained from voting. I am entitled to say that the Venizelos was still more categorical than that of last May. It is in vain that my opponents attempt to explain the abstentions by the mobilization. It must not be forgotten that we had a hundred thousand men with the colors last May and that the army voted in the present elections at several centers and that the part of the army which could not vote continued a large number of my party. In ver-

tain polling stations only three votes were recorded."

The correspondent says that he was also received by M. Gounaris and the other ministers who maintained that the elections were conducted in a free and open manner and that the number of abstentions was normal.

The Athens correspondent of the Figaro agency has the following to say concerning the political situation in Greece: "When parliament reassembles states of siege probably will be voted, in order to stop the merciless attacks upon the government's policy. M. Gounaris insists that the present cabinet remain, but unless the situation changes through the king's intervention a reconstruction of the cabinet probably will occur."

KAISER'S ILLNESS SERIOUS

Report Persistent That Operation for Cancer Was Necessary to Save His Life

LONDON, Dec. 24.—According to reports in Berlin, Emperor William's illness is very serious, says the Morning Post's Rotterdam correspondent, but these rumors have been officially denied.

"It was only when the rumor insisted that an operation for cancer was necessary in order to save the emperor's life," the correspondent adds, "that the physicians issued a bulletin declaring that his illness was due to inflammation of the cellular tissues."

TURKISH WAR REPORT

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 23, via London, Dec. 24.—The Turkish war office tonight gave out the following statement concerning the progress of hostilities: "The situation on the front (in Mesopotamia) is unchanged."

"On the Caucasian front Russian detachments which attempted to approach us in the Mito sector were repulsed."

"On the Dardanelles front five torpedo boats and one cruiser were compelled to retire, the cruiser having been hit. At Souda Bay there was a violent artillery action on the night wing. A hostile aircraft was shot down at Birsheba."

The moon goes nodding down the west, The drowsy helmsman strikes the bell; Rex Judaeorum natus est. I charge you brothers sing Nowell, Nowell, Rex Judaeorum natus est.

—John Maschfeld.

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NICE XMAS PRESENT

INCREASE IN PAY TO 900 EMPLOYEES OF POTTER & JOHNSON'S MACHINERY CO.

PAWTUCKET, R. I., Dec. 24.—Potter & Johnson Machinery Co. announced today that beginning January 1, they would give their 900 employees an increase of 5 per cent. This is the second 5 per cent increase within a year. In August two-thirds of the employees went on strike for an eight-hour day and five cents an hour increase. Gradually the men returned to work on the old basis and now the company has a full complement. The company makes machines for making shoes.

A QUARTER CENTURY AGO

Quarter of a century ago, The Sun issued a special Christmas souvenir edition in honor of the holiday and among its special features was a fragmentary poem appropriate to the occasion and entitled "The Incarnation," written for The Sun by Mr. Edward J. Gallagher, then as at present, the editor of The Sun. At that time Mr. Gallagher intended, at a later date, to extend the poem so as to cover the work of redemption and the changes brought about by Christianity; but he has never found the time necessary for such an undertaking. Hence the poem appears below practically as printed twenty-five years ago:

Would for outworn dark centuries of woe,
Now herald angels bend their way to earth
To chant the glory of the Savior's birth.
And through the gloomy veil of Orient night
They shine upon the hills a flood of light.
The shepherds cower by their flocks in fear
Until bright strains o'erhead they hear.
"Gloria in Excelsis Deo!" sing,
The angels who the joyous tidings bring.
That on that ever glorious Christmas morn
At Bethlehem the Child Divine is born;
The angels vanishing fling out a star
Upon the brow of night that from afar
Will lead the Magi to that lonely cave
Where lies the Babe destined mankind to save.

The Incarnation
"Obedient to the fiat of His will
The promise of redemption to fulfill,
A mystery is wrought that will atone
For Adam's primal sin, may to the throne
Of God lead all who will and thus re-
store
To man his destiny forevermore,
A Being infinite was disincarnate
And infinite the ransom to be paid;
A God eternal and omniscient
To earth in human form will now be sent.
One person of the Trinity on high
Must come of woman born as man to die,
And leave mankind the gospel of his love,
The light of truth to lead to heaven above.

Already has an angel hailed this Queen,
The future victress of the Nazareth scene,
Conceived immaculate, of woman born,
Her motherhood divine will ever attest.
The court of heaven holds a jubilee
Ere Christ descends to set his people free;
Rush glorious orbs to heaven's portal high
With beams sublime to wait their God
To pass by,
There, dazzling all arrayed on either side,
Creation's glory, majesty abide.
To see the God of hosts descend be-
low
On earth to conquer man's eternal foe.
That fell usurper, Satan, there to smite,
And man with God forever reunite.
O'er man redeemed forevermore to reign
That evil ne'er may blight his bliss again.

Those beauteous orbs in beams re-
pendent lie,
Their interest ray would vanquish hu-
man eye.
On heaven's battlements and far away
They pour their light intense and well display
Infinity of space illumined, the glow,
Of golden sunset, dawn and polar bow—
All lovely hues and shades that seem,
The blessed visions of an angel's dream.

But lo! now heaven's portals open wide
And forth a mighty host of angels glide,
There martyrs, prophets, crowned with glory shine,
There angels glow in rarest beams divine.
And there Creation's God in highest glory shines,
Before whose face those orbs have
been judged from sight;
Beside the beams untold that shine in Him,
A wide infinity of suns were dim.

Angelic anthems through the ether swell
Delighting all in upper worlds that dwell.
Celestial strains above, below, around,
Thro' wide vacuities of space resound
And echo sweet in universal play,
Beyond creation's limits die away.

Sonic rains have seen a beauteous
bird of light,
That hovered spirit lays in heaven's
bright
In melody that lulled all care to rest
Awakening joy ecstatic in the breast—
More sweet than earthly number ever
fell;
Not Orpheus' lute, Cecilia's choral swell,
No human voice or lyre on earth e'er
found,
Could pour such thrilling symphonies
around.
No song bird could it be that soared
above,
Nay, 'twas a Seraph breathing songs
of love;
Spellbound they deemed, they listened
but a day,
Ere found that years had
passed away,
E'en so eternal life will glide along,
Ten thousand years of rapture in a
song.
Of love and glory chanted by the
blest
Who in the beatific vision rest:
One moment their's eternal joy to
know

AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT TWO KILLED IN WRECK

MISS QUEENIE MANCHESTER IN-
JURED IN CRASH WHEN THE CAR
SKIDDED

Miss Queenie A. Manchester, secretary to Principal Cyrus W. Irish of the Lowell high school, was injured late yesterday afternoon when an automobile owned by her mother, Mrs. Jennie G. Manchester of 62 Willow street, collided with a machine owned and driven by J. H. Mills of 56 Dover street.

The accident occurred about 5 o'clock on the Boston road just beyond Tewksbury center. The Manchester car, driven by Roy Manchester and occupied by his mother, sister, Miss Queenie A. and brother, William, was headed toward Lowell returning from Somerville. As they were ascending a slight incline, the machine skidded and turned completely around. Mr. Mills and two passengers were following close behind and crashed into the car. None of the occupants was thrown out. Though Mrs. Manchester's car was demolished, the Mills automobile was saved by a bumper. Miss Queenie Manchester sustained severe bruises about the body while the other occupants were badly shaken up and suffered from the shock.

15 KILLED; 30 INJURED

PASSENGER TRAIN AND FAST
FREIGHT IN COLLISION YESTER-
DAY

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Dec. 24.—Engineer Irbey Read and Fireman W. E. Lehr, of Nashville, and 13 negro laborers, were killed and 22 negroes seriously injured late yesterday in a collision between a Chattanooga-Nashville passenger train and a fast freight on the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis railway.

\$500,000 DAMAGE

300 Feet of Steel "False Work" of
Bridge Swept Away by the Heavy
Current

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 24.—Upwards of \$500,000 damage was done last night when about 300 feet of the steel "false work" of the Harahan railroad and wagon bridge which is to span the Mississippi here, was swept away by the heavy current caused by a rapids in the river. No one was injured. Completion of the bridge, which it was expected would be finished next summer at a cost of approximately \$5,000,000, will be delayed about seven months.

HOLD PARCELS FROM ENGLAND
BERLIN, Dec. 24. (By wireless to
Saville.)—Advices from Stockholm re-
port that, in pursuance of the Swed-
ish government's decision to hold up
parcel post packages passing through
Sweden to or from England in retaliation for the removal by British au-
thorities from steamships of packages
for Sweden, ten thousand parcels from
England for Russia are now being
held at Gothenburg. At Haparanda, it
is said, 2500 packages are being de-
tained.

TRAINS IN COLLISION—VICTIMS
WERE PASSENGERS ON ONLY
WOODEN CAR ON TRAIN

SCRANTON, Pa., Dec. 24.—The second section of a Delaware, Lackawanna & Western passenger train bound from New York to Buffalo, which was derailed at Stateport near Delaware Water Gap late last night by the third section of the same train, causing the death of two persons and injuries to five others, reached this city today bearing the victims, who were taken to local hospitals. While one or two of the injured were seriously hurt, it is believed all will recover. The killed were both colored, one a porter on the wrecked train and the other Miss Anna Jones of Ithaca, N. Y. Among the most seriously injured is J. O. Foster, porter, Cambridge, Mass. who has lacerations and internal injuries.

The wrecked sleeper was the only wooden car on the train and the occupants of this car were the victims. E. M. Rine, general superintendent of the Lackawanna, places the blame for the accident on the engineer of section three, who, according to Mr. Rine, ran past torpedoes and lighted fuses and also passed automatic signals that were set against him.

MISSING HUSBAND WANTED
Mrs. John P. Curley of 18 Cottage street, Everett, has complained to the police that her husband has been missing from his home for two days. She left home for Lowell to get work in a bakery. He is 45 years old, five feet six inches tall, weighs 170 pounds and is of light complexion. He has a scar on the right side of his neck and when he left home he wore a dark mixed suit, light gray overcoat and soft brown hat.

DISCUSS McKENNA PLAN

Members of London Trust Companies
Disapproved With Power Given
Treasury

LONDON, Dec. 24.—At a meeting of representatives of influential trust companies, held in the city of London yesterday to discuss the plan of Reginald McKenna, chancellor of the exchequer, for the mobilization of American securities, considerable dissatisfaction was expressed with the power given the treasury to sell loaned securities with the addition of two and one-half per cent to the price of the selling day.

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ORANGES, doz.	15c	CIDER—Nice and Sweet, Just Arrived, gal.	25c
FRESH SHOULDERS, lb.	10c	POULTRY DRESSING (Bell's)	9c
FRESH RIBS, lb.	11c	POP CORN, pkg.	9c
QUARTERS OF FRESH PIGS, lb.	10c	MIXED NUTS, 2 lbs.	25c
POTATOES, pk.	25c	MINCE MEAT, pkg.	9c
SMOKED SHOULDERS, lb.	10 1/2c	D'ZERTA JELLY POWDER, pkg.	6c
LEGS GENUINE SPRING LAMB, lb.	15c	ORANGE PEEL, lb.	13c
NEW COFFEE ROASTER JUST INSTALLED— FRESH ROASTED AND GROUND COFFEE, lb.	15c, 19c and 23c	LEMON PEEL, lb.	13c
FANCY CLUSTER RAISINS, pkg.	9c	EGGS, Strictly Fresh, doz.	50c
		EGGS, Fresh Western, doz.	24c
		WALNUTS, lb.	17c
		XMAS CANDLES	8c

PAID \$100,000 NORMAN PRINCE HOME HIS 38TH ANNIVERSARY

U. S. Cartridge Payroll
Broke All Records in
Lowell

The U. S. Cartridge Co. broke all records yesterday for a weekly payroll, when it disbursed the largest amount of money ever paid out by a mercantile corporation in this city. The employees received not only their weekly wages, but in addition the money in back pay due them as a result of the finding of the state board of arbitration in the recent hearings granted as an outcome of the strike.

The amount paid out yesterday totaled a little more than \$100,000, and was distributed among 6100 employees. Of this sum, close to \$36,000, was the money due in back wages, in accordance with the increase granted by the state board, dating back to Sept. 25. The balance represented the regular weekly payroll of the company.

The workers were paid off at the end of their shifts and a large force of clerks was kept busy passing out the pay envelopes. The plants of the company will close tonight and will not reopen until 1 o'clock Monday morning.

FOUR CHINESE BELIEVED TO HAVE
BEEN SMUGGLED IN BY WAY OF
WINDSOR, ONT.
ST. LOUIS, Dec. 24.—Four young Chinese who were found in a sealed freight car in the Washburn yards here last night told James P. Dunn, inspector of the local immigration office, today, that they had boarded the train at Boston, New York, Vancouver, B. C. and Windsor, Ont., respectively. Later, under cross examination by the inspector, the quartet vowed they had all boarded the train at the same time.

THE CHINESE, local immigration officers believe, were smuggled into the United States by way of Windsor, Ont.
SAVE WRECKED; MARSHAL SHOT
MUSKOGEE, Okla., Dec. 21.—Bandits early today blew the safe in the post office at Calvin, 50 miles southwest of here, and later attempted to blow the safe in one of the banks there, according to a despatch to the Muskogee police. The night marshal is reported to have been shot.

OPPOSED NEW WAR CREDIT
PARIS, Dec. 21.—A Zurich despatch says that the number of members of the reichstag who expressed opposition to the new war credit of 10,000,000 marks adopted on Tuesday, was larger than at first reported, according to this information, 30 social democrats abstained from voting which, with the socialists who voted in the negative, brings up the total opposed to the appropriation to 42.

Berlin despatches of Tuesday said 19 socialists voted in the negative.

DIL. BRADT TO WED
Dr. D. W. Bradt of 401 Napoleon avenue, Dorchester, and Mrs. Flossie C. Thomas of Port Worth, Tex., will be married in this city tomorrow evening. The marriage was scheduled to take place at the home of Mrs. Thomas in Texas, and all arrangements had been made for the event. Dr. Bradt, however, took sick some weeks ago and was removed to the home of his brother-in-law, George C. Larabee, 15 Corner street, this city, and a few days ago it was decided that the bride-to-be would come to Lowell and the ceremony will be performed tomorrow evening at the home of Mr. Larabee by Rev. Herbert P. Bentz of the Grace Universalist church.

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FIGHT TO A FINISH

RUSSIA DETERMINED TO CARRY
WAR TO A SUCCESSFUL IS-
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LONDON, Dec. 24.—The Petrograd correspondent of Reuters' Telegram company, writing under date of Thursday says:
"To a full sitting of the budget committee of the duma today, Minister of Foreign Affairs Sazonov made a long statement on the political situation in the course of which he said that the relations with Greece following the entente allies' fortification of Salonika were perfectly well defined.
"Prof. Mituloff put a question about peace rumors to which M. Sazonov replied that they had no foundation, and he reaffirmed the unshakable determination of the Russian government to carry the war to a successful issue.
"The budget committee afterwards adopted resolutions affirming that Russia could not think of peace while the power of the German forces remained unbroken. The resolutions urged the government, in addition to military operations to take direct measures tending to consolidate the Russian influence in Persia."

GIFT OF \$2,000,000

MRS. DEL DRAGO OF NEW YORK
MAKES PRESENT TO QUEEN OF
ITALY FOR SOLDIERS' FAMILIES

ROME, Dec. 24.—The Stefani News Agency says that Mrs. Josephine Del Drago of New York has offered \$2,000,000 to the queen of Italy as a Christmas gift for distribution among the families of combatants and that the queen has accepted the proffer with profound thanks.

Mrs. Josephine Del Drago inherited from her husband, August Schmidt of New York, a large estate; Mr. Schmidt was a prosperous brewer and Mrs. Del Drago is now president of the big brewery company of which her husband was the head when he died in 1889.

DRUNKENNESS IN PORTLAND

"Blippers" Appear to Be Doing Big
Business Since Saloons Were
Closed

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 24.—The "blippers" are still on and all saloons are closed, but apparently the pocket peddlers came out in force as there were many instances of drunkenness yesterday. When the selling of beer was stopped by order of Chief Bowen many turned to stronger liquors.

There is still a lack of avowed personal and official responsibility, and it is all a matter of guesswork how long the present enforcement will last.

JOHN A. LOWELL DEAD

NEWTON HIGHLANDS, Dec. 24.—John Adams Lowell, president of the John A. Lowell Banknote company of Boston, died at his late residence, 57 Erie avenue yesterday, after an illness of several months. The funeral services will be held at the Lowell residence, Sunday, Dec. 26, at 2 p. m., the body later being taken to Portland, Me., for interment.

The Christmas Spirit

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If the Spirit of Christmas has been neglected in the hurry and scurry of the daily grind, and is demanding expression;

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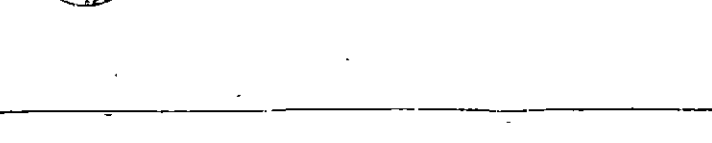
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Gardiner....	.80	Fitchburg....	.25	Taunton.....	.35	Rochester....	.30
Lewiston....	.70	Gardner.....	.30	Worcester....	.25	VERMONT	
Portland....	.55	Holyoke.....	.45	NEW HAMPSHIRE		Bennington...	.40
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BATTLEFRONTS IN SERBIA

PARIS, Dec. 24.—The battlefronts of both sides in the conflict in the Serbian theatre of war are given in a despatch from the Saloniki correspondent of the Rein de Paris.
The correspondent states that 60,000 Germans are massed around Monastir, with the Bulgars concentrated in the center of the Vardar valley and two Turkish divisions taking a position on the left of the Bulgars. The French are ranged in a semi-circle around Saloniki with their left on the Vardar center, facing the Greek frontier near Dolran, and their right connecting with the British troops defending Chalcidice.

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SUN REAL ESTATE AND BUILDERS' PAGE

REAL ESTATE MATTERS

Building Operations Rather Dull—Transactions Recorded for the Week—Sales Reported

Building operations in Lowell at the present time are rather quiet owing to weather conditions but there is considerable work being done on the inside and many alterations are also being made. Very little new work is going on, but indications at the present time are that although more buildings were erected in this city during the year 1915 than any other year there will be a big increase in this line of work next year, that is as soon as the weather permits.

Hundreds of houses, blocks, two and three apartment houses and bungalows have been constructed during the year, the upbuilding of the suburban districts being quite noticeable. There has been a general tendency during the past year for families to move to the suburbs and while many people have been frugally purchasing homes of their own, others have caused to be erected two apartment houses, occupying one apartment themselves and letting the other.

There have also been many houses erected for investment in the outlying districts all of which are a credit to the city.

Memorial Building

The Memorial building has been enclosed and the slate work with the exception of a little on the front of the building has been laid. Although there has been some criticism about the slowness of the work on the remodeling of this building the different contractors have had to work under difficulties and this made the work necessarily slow. With the roof on the building and the interior protected from the elements the interior work can be gone ahead with no matter how stormy the weather.

Permit Granted

There was but one permit granted at the office of the lands and buildings department this week, and that was for an alteration to the house of Elizabeth and William F. Copson at 115 D street. This building is to be changed over from a single to a two family house. Up to the time of going to press today 725 permits to build and make alterations have been granted by the office of the lands and buildings department during the year 1915, this being the largest in the history of the city.

The improvement of old buildings throughout the city during the year has been remarkable. Even in the business section stores have been changed over, new fronts having been put in and various alterations made. Many single houses have been changed into double or two apartment dwellings and steam heat and up-to-date plumbing has been installed. Property owners are beginning to realize that the improvement of property and slight increase in rents is more profitable than allowing the property to depreciate.

Mr. Nelson's Property

F. E. Nelson, proprietor of what is known as "Nelson's Five & Ten Cent Store" in Central street, this city, and similar stores in Nashua and Manchester, is anxious to purchase the Howard block in Nashua, N. H., owned by Hon. J. W. Howard. This building is located on Main street and is considered

one of the best buildings in the city. Mr. Nelson owns the property across the street from the Howard building. It is located on the corner of the Howard block and is one of the latest business buildings to be located in the river city. Negotiations for the purchase of the Howard block are under way and it is expected that they will be completed in a short time.

Old Land Mark Purchased

James J. Smith of Roxbury has purchased the Wannanahatch farm in Ayer'sboro. The property which is on the site of about half a mile from the Vesper Country club station in Ayer'sboro is one of the most attractive places on the road and a landmark known to thousands of people. The farm was settled by Capt. Tyng of Revolutionary fame, who was granted from the crown a tract comprising all the land lying between Lowell and the New Hampshire line. Only 200 acres of the original grant now remains. It borders the Merrimack river. There are extensive orchards of apples and other fruit, a valuable tract of wood and timber and one of the largest fields of alfalfa in Massachusetts. The old manor house which when built was the only house between Woburn and the Canada line, is in a fine state of preservation and contains modern improvements. There is a large farmhouse, stock and hay barns, poultry plant and various other buildings. Capt. Tyng had slaves and the slave quarters still remain; the well, more than 200 years old, which called the slaves to work, hangs in the belfry. There is a private water plant, fish pond and a trout brook. The advertised price was \$25,000.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

For the Week Ending Dec. 24, 1915

Lowell

Mary E. Stevens et al. to Jennie Goulden, land and buildings, cor. Liberty and Scott sts.
Edgar L. Lantieri et al. to Edward Boucher et al., land and buildings on Ayer street.
Ralph B. Littlefield et al. to Michael J. Shumans, land and buildings, Pawtucket and Wannanahatch streets.
John C. Leggat et al. to Elizabeth Leggat, land and buildings on Broadway.
James Wajski by mortgage, to Alice T. Kane, land on Highland avenue.
Alice T. Kane to Jacob H. Cheever, land and buildings on Broadway.
Louis M. Campbell et al. to William E. Moulton, land on Wentworth avenue.
David W. Dewar et al. to Charles P. Witham, land on Hoyt and Wellington avenues.
Thomas W. Johnson et al. to Joseph Johns et al., land on Daniels street.
Clement Dumais et al. to Avilla Sawyer, land and buildings on Brant street.
John S. Brodie et al. to Gladys E. Chapman, land and buildings on A street.
Margaret G. Maguire to George Z. Allard, land on Cumberland road.
James Farley et al. to Stefania Benavides et al., land and buildings, cor. Wall and Davidson streets.
Frank E. Jewett et al. to Ray State Cotton Corp., land on Marginal street.
Abraham L. J. to Joseph P. Fay, land and buildings.
Mary A. Fay to Joseph P. Fay, land and buildings.
Catherine E. Fay et al. by gdn. to Joseph P. Fay, land and buildings.
Agnes T. Fay to Joseph P. Fay, land and buildings on Common, First and Wilder streets.
Thomas W. Johnson et al. to William B. Moffatt, land on Daniels street.
Freeman S. Hersey to Little M. Spencer, land and buildings on Middle street.
Little M. Spencer to Freeman S. Hersey, land and buildings on Parker street.
Charlotte L. Ryan to Joseph Lolselle, land on Seventh avenue.

Billerica

Fanny Brand et al. to Jeremiah F. Durkin et al., land at Nuttings Lake Park Annex.
D. Arthur Brown et al. to Mary A. McCarthy, land and buildings.
Walter A. Ferris to Frank H. Alken, land and buildings on Holt street and North Billerica and Lowell road.
Agnes T. Fay to Joseph P. Fay, land and buildings.
Mary A. Fay to Joseph P. Fay, land and buildings.
Catherine E. Fay et al. by gdn. to Joseph P. Fay, land and buildings.
James L. Burke, Jr. to Charles J. Porter, land at The Pines.
Emily Dyson et al. to James E. Thompson, land and buildings.
Ellis J. Clark to Fannie M. Blanchard, land on Blanchard ave.

Carroll

Sidney A. Davis et al. to Neman Peter Hanson, land on road to Concord.
George W. Wilson et al. to John F. Hart, land.

Direct

Eastern Land Trust by trs. to Archibald L. E. Dubreuil, land at Merrimack Park.
Francis M. Hines et al. to Francis M. Hines, land and buildings.
Francis M. Hines to Thomas H. Hines, et al., land and buildings.
Agnes T. Fay to Joseph P. Fay, land and buildings.
Mary A. Fay to Joseph P. Fay, land and buildings.
Catherine E. Fay et al. by gdn. to Joseph P. Fay, land and buildings.

Tewksbury

Charles W. Hunkley et al. to Arthur Converse, land on Dalton and Ohio streets.
Ellis Salada to Jessie Davis, land and buildings at Shawsham river park.

Wilmington

Edward S. Eaton et al. to Edward E. Ashby, land on Franklin street.
Charles B. Oshon et al. to Town of Wilmington, land on Middlesex avenue.

Nine Killed in Train Wreck

COWAN, Tenn., Dec. 24.—Eight in horses and one trainman were killed near here yesterday in a collision between a freight train on which they were riding, and a fast Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis passenger train. Another trainman was probably fatally injured.

U. S. NAVY BOARD'S PLAN

SEC. DANIELS CONSIDERS MAKING POLICY PUBLIC BEFORE CONGRESSIONAL COM. HEARINGS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The full text of the report of the navy general board urging that the United States navy be placed on an equality with the strongest abroad by 1925 probably will be made public by Secretary Daniels before congressional committee hearings begin on the administration's navy plans.

Mr. Daniels said tonight he was giving the matter serious thought as a result of statements made by various members of congress that they would seek its publication and also because this report was mentioned in the letter of resignation from Henry A. Wood of New York, severing his connections with the recently organized civilian advisory board.

Sec. Daniels will acknowledge Mr. Wood's resignation and ask the American Society of Aeronautical Engineers, which selected him for membership on the advisory board, to name his successor.

The general board's policy apparently contemplates a two-power standard for the American navy in declaring it should equal "the most powerful maintained by any other nation in the world," not later than 1925.

The British navy, now far in advance of that of any other power, in strength, is maintained upon a policy that it shall at all times equal the navies of any two other powers, although, at least, the American navy has been excluded from that calculation in the past.

While naval officials are unwilling to discuss the board's statement of policy in advance of its publication, it is indicated that the possibility that the United States might be called upon to meet enemies in both the Atlantic and Pacific oceans simultaneously was considered in reaching a conclusion.

The first year's building alone, under the program, it is reported, would equal the entire five-year administration program in cost, approaching \$500,000,000.

30 INJURED IN CRASH

ELECTRIC CAR HAD BEEN WILD AFTER MOTORMAN HAD BEEN THROWN ON CURVE

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Dec. 24.—Thirty persons were injured, some probably fatally, when an interurban car, running wild after the motorman had been thrown, left the rails and crashed into a tree with terrific force late yesterday. About 100 passengers were aboard the car.

The car was Syracuse-bound from Splitrock and most of those aboard were workmen. As it turned a sharp curve on a down grade, the motorman fell from the vestibule. The car, with power turned on, gained great headway and as it reached another curve two blocks distant it jumped the tracks.

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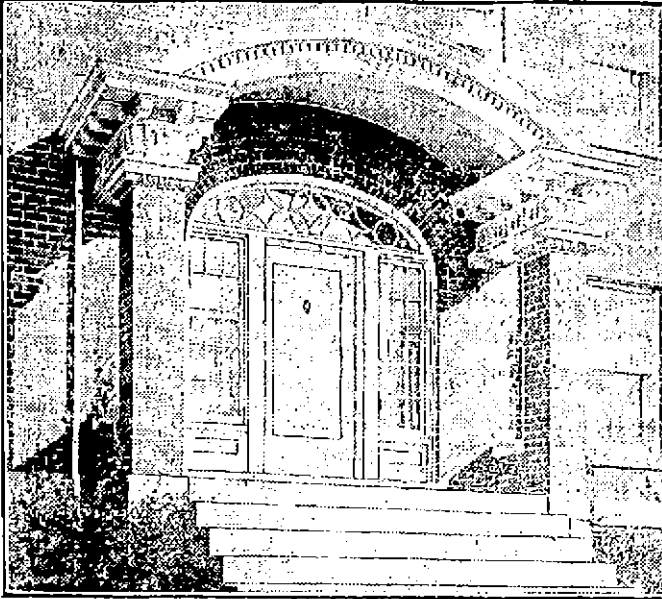
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COLONIAL DOOR AND STAIRWAY



PERSPECTIVE VIEW—FROM A PHOTOGRAPH



INTERIOR VIEW, COLONIAL STAIRWAY

This colonial stairway can only be used in a colonial design on the exterior. It can be made very attractive by using a combination of mahogany and ivory white. The newel hand rail and treads of mahogany. The risers and balusters of ivory white. In the hall the architect advises antique mahogany furniture. This residence can either be of framework or brick veneer as shown on the exterior view. Cost to build with brick veneer, according to size, inside of \$10,000.

FULL COMMAND

Gen. Sir Wm. Robertson Takes Entire Charge of British Forces

LONDON, Dec. 24.—Henceforth the conduct of the war, as far as Great Britain is concerned, will devolve upon General Sir William Robertson, the new imperial chief of staff.

This unofficial but generally understood fact has been received with relief throughout the country, for Robertson is considered perhaps the greatest military genius that England has produced.

This is proved by the fact that he has risen to his present commanding position from the very lowest ranks of the army. Not only that, but before enlisting as a private soldier he served in the very humble capacity of footman, so that his rise to such a supreme height of power is due to genius alone.

Due to Nation's Unrest

The new developments in the matter of the military leadership of the empire are due to the unrest, and to some extent dissatisfaction, which has been felt over the conduct of the war so far. As was said in the house of commons a day or two ago the verdict "too late" could be applied to several important operations of the allies. It is realized that this state of things has been largely due to the fact that there has not existed at any time since the war began a general staff of sufficient ability to cope with the magnitude of the operations involved.

At the beginning some of the ablest members of the existing general staff had to go to the front, and the result was that men who could not at all be considered men of military genius had to direct war operations, which month by month extended and developed beyond all hitherto conceived bounds.

Thus Kitchener in addition to raising armies of millions had to look after the supply of munitions and hundreds of other things which no mortal could keep in touch with at one time. A tremendous improvement came when a separate department for munitions was created, and the result has been a general conduct of the war and the result has been failure in many fields.

It is expected that now all this will be changed. Sir William Robertson is considered on all hands to be the man of the hour for supreme director of war operations, and he will call to his aid men who have attained distinction in the same field.

Kitchener May Go East

Under the new regime Earl Kitchener will lose much of his power and prestige, and there are some who think that he may be given new duties in the east. His work of raising armies is pretty well completed, for under the retraining regime which has been in operation for some time past the Earl of Derby has been the directing hand. Thus Kitchener could be transferred to Egypt or India without much interference with the home operations as they are to be carried out in future. And as viceroys of the east Kitchener would have a sphere of operations important

enough to engage the talents of the greatest military man alive.

RELIEF WORK IN EUROPE

U. S. SEEMS WITHDRAWAL OF ENGLAND'S DECREE FORBIDDING SHIPMENT OF HOSPITAL SUPPLIES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Negotiations looking to a withdrawal or modification of Great Britain's decree forbidding the shipment of hospital supplies from the United States to the central powers are in progress between the American and British governments. Refusal of Great Britain to accede to the request of the United States would affect the entire program of the American Red Cross for relief work in Europe. Large consignments of supplies now are stored in New York pending the outcome of the negotiations.

Great Britain and her allies until recently had permitted shipment of all hospital supplies except rubber goods. These articles were denied admission on the ground that to permit them to go into enemy territory would release a corresponding amount of rubber for the manufacture of automobile tires and other military necessities. Great Britain's latest action puts a stop to all shipments.

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3,693,310 IN BAY STATE

Census of Mass. Taken April 1 Announced—Lowell Sixth City—Interesting Comparisons

BOSTON, Dec. 24.—The census of Massachusetts, taken as of April 1, 1915, shows the total population of the commonwealth on that date to have been 3,693,310, according to the official figures filed yesterday by Director Charles F. Getty of the bureau of statistics with the secretary of state. The decennial census contains the total population and the number of legal voters of the 55 cities and towns.

The figures show that there has been an increase of 2.7 per cent. over the population at the last census, census five years ago, and an increase of nearly 23 per cent. over the census of 1905. The total number of legal voters in the state is 775,859, an increase of 104,115, or 15.1 per cent. over the number in 1905.

A "legal voter" within the meaning of the census is a person possessing the constitutional qualifications for voting, and it is upon the basis of the number of legal voters that representation in the legislature is determined.

Interesting Comparisons

In giving out the figures, Director Getty made the following statement: "Massachusetts has a population by this census greater by 327,000 than the entire combined population of the following states, according to the last United States census: Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Vermont, Delaware, Montana, Utah, New Mexico, Idaho, Arizona, Wyoming and Nevada."

"Boston, moreover, has a population at this census which exceeds that of any one of the states just mentioned and greater, also than that of each of the following: Maine, Oregon, South Dakota and North Dakota. The population of Maine by the last census was 712,371, or about 3000 less than that of Boston in 1915.

"The population of Boston is nearly as great as the combined population of Barnstable, Bristol, Norfolk, Berkshire, Hampshire and Franklin counties. One ward of the city of Boston, ward 5, has a population (77,573) greater than any one of the following cities of the state: North Adams, Pittsfield, Attleboro, Taunton, Haverhill, Gloucester, Haverhill, Newburyport, Chicopee, Holyoke, Northampton, Everett, Malden, Marlboro, Medford, Melrose, Newton, Somerville, Waltham, Woburn, Quincy, Brockton, Chelsea and Revere. The population of the Boston wards varies all the way from 1,401 in ward 25, 77,573 in ward 5, and ward 1 has the largest number of legal voters, 107,174, and ward 26, the smallest, 3213.

Probably Sixth in Population

"Massachusetts is probably sixth in population rank among the states of the Union, and is the most densely populated state in the Union except Rhode Island, for there are now living in Massachusetts approximately 450 persons to the square mile (the density of Rhode Island being, according to its last census of the current year, 535).

"The density of our population has considerably more than doubled in 40 years, for in 1875 it was only 205 to the square mile; in 1910 it was 415, so that the increase has been about 42 to the square mile during the past three decades.

"Forty years ago nearly 33 per cent. of the population resided in towns of 5000 and under, and 61 per cent. in places over 5000. This latter ratio has been gradually creeping up until in 1910 it amounted to over 57 per cent., while the census taken this year shows that nearly 50 per cent. of the population of the commonwealth resides in places of over 5000.

"According to the United States census of 1910 five cities, Boston, Worcester, Fall River, Lowell and Cambridge, were in the group of 100,000 or over; within the past five years two cities, namely, New Bedford and Springfield, have passed the 100,000 mark, making a total of seven in this group. Every county in the state shows an increase over the population of five years ago.

Detailed Tabulations Coming

"Opportunity has not yet been afforded for a careful analysis of the population figures of the census of 1915, but as will be shown in later published bulletins, the issue of which is contemplated from time to time, and it ought, perhaps, to be stated for the benefit of the numerous persons in the community who are constantly displaying interest in the composition of the population, that the tabulation giving classifications according to country of birth, parent nativity, conjugal condition, etc., and certain correlations of these data with each other will consume several months in the compilation and analysis.

"The first compilations to be undertaken now that the total population of the state has been ascertained, according to sex, and the number of legal voters as required by the constitution—has been determined, will be these involving tabulations by ages and the preparation of a special report embodying information desired by the legislature in connection with its consideration of the subject of old-age pensions, the statute requiring these compilations to be given preference.

Special Study for Boston

"When all the regular tabulations are out of the way, a special tabulation of the population of Boston by assessors' blocks, of which there are approximately 1000, will be undertaken pursuant to a petition of the city council, based upon the request of the city planning board and social workers interested in having tabulations of the population by smaller units than wards.

"To take the census, a total of 1999 enumerators was required, including those appointed to make the returns for public institutions. Not counting the latter, of the 1910 who actually served in the field making the household canvasses, 1499 were men and 421 were women.

"Classified by age periods, 135 were under 25, those 25 to 29 inclusive, numbered 532; those from 30 to 39 inclusive were 800 in number; and there

were 52 over 60. Classified by nativity, 1772 enumerators were native born, 1511 being natives of Massachusetts and 167 were foreign born. Of the foreign-born enumerators, 13 gave England as their place of birth, 38 gave Canada, 25 gave Russia and 25 gave Ireland, and 12 other countries were represented by from one to nine each."

Changes in Cities

Of middle-size cities, Brockton has now passed Holyoke and Haverhill has passed Malden, while Chelsea, which the year set back in 1910 to 21st place, is now in 15th, having passed Newton, Quincy, Fitchburg, Haverhill, Salem and Taunton. Salem's population is about 6500 smaller than in 1910, because of its great fire and it has just reversed Chelsea's change, dropping from 15th to 21st place.

Cities and towns that show much gain since 1905 are Quincy, Pittsfield, Medford, Revere, Attleboro and Woburn, but especially Revere, which has practically doubled its population in 10 years and risen from 29th place in 1905 to 31st in 1910 and 27th now. Newton, Brookline, Beverly, Westfield and Framingham, though they have risen in rank somewhat.

On the other hand, places that have notably fallen behind in the fire of march, even if making some actual gain in population, are, besides Salem, the cities of Gloucester, North Adams, Northampton, Leominster, Woburn, Newburyport and Marlboro. This is brought out in the following table, which gives the population of the 42 now largest municipalities in the state in 1915, 1910 and 1905:

Cities and Largest Towns

	1915	1910	1905
Boston	715,125	670,555	595,380
Worcester	102,697	115,555	128,135
Fall River	124,791	119,295	105,762
Lowell	107,373	106,284	94,362
Springfield	102,971	88,926	74,340
Quincy	85,803	89,336	77,042
Lawrence	85,803	89,336	77,042
Somerville	85,803	89,336	77,042
Brockton	82,258	56,575	47,794
Holyoke	60,515	57,720	49,204
Haverhill	49,450	44,115	37,530
Malden	48,907	44,101	36,937
Chelsea	43,426	32,452	27,259
Newton	43,426	32,452	27,259
Cambridge	36,671	32,452	27,259
Pittsfield	36,671	32,452	27,259
Everett	37,115	33,481	29,111
Taunton	37,115	33,481	29,111
Brookline	33,481	27,259	22,436
Medford	30,509	23,150	19,856
Waltham	30,154	27,834	26,263
Chelsea	25,178	18,219	13,559
Gloucester	24,478	24,393	25,011
Revere	22,955	18,650	1

PEACE QUESTION

European Socialists Collectively Have Taken Up Discussion

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 24, via London, 11:52 a. m.—A number of prominent socialists from all the belligerent countries except Italy, met last Wednesday at The Hague, to discuss steps which might be taken to help bring about a speedy peace, according to the "Telegraph" today.

The newspaper says that the meeting was held at the offices of the International socialist bureau. The discussions were of a very provisional character, it adds. The Dutch delegates of the International Bureau had the proceedings under their direction.

MURDER ON HIGH SEAS

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 24.—Eight men, the entire crew of the American schooner Mark Pendleton, were arrested on charges growing out of the killing of Thomas Brown, a member of the crew, on the high seas. They will be held pending investigation.

The Mark Pendleton left St. Michael, the Azores, Nov. 1. Several days later the American consul at that place notified the department of justice of Brown's death, and the marshal here was instructed to arrest the crew.

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TO ANNEX DRACUT

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1. *Journal of the American Medical Association*, 1997; 278: 1039-1044.

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GUILTY OF FRAUD

Lewis J. Marshall Con-
victed in Necktie Case
—Raps Government

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 24.—Lewis J. Marshall of Lisbon Falls was yesterday afternoon found guilty by a jury in the United States district court of using the mails in a scheme to defraud women who accepted his offer to make bowties in their homes.

The government insisted that he did not return two deposits of 25 cents and \$2 and that he did not pay for the work.

Many women witnesses were called during the two days of the hearing, coming from four states for that purpose.

Marshall, as his own attorney, made a very dramatic closing argument. He denounced the United States government for the seizure of the wire-press station at Sayville, and declared that the British empire will fall because it is the modern Babylon. He was several times cautioned by Judge Hale not to go outside the case before the jury, but he insisted on his right to be heard.

Dist. Atty. E. A. Merrill made the closing argument for the government. He asked for protection for women who are seeking work.

Mrs. Abbie Gates of 75 Gates street, Lowell, was one of the women summoned to Portland to testify against Marshall.

POPE PEACE MEDIATOR

Cardinal Says Pontiff Post En-
titled Him to Act for Good of
Humanity

ROME, Dec. 24.—In his address to Pope Benedict today on the occasion of the reception by the pontiff of the Sacred college which visited him to extend Christmas greetings, Cardinal Vannutelli said that no better time than Christmas could be chosen to speak of peace in a year in which there had been so much sorrow and bloodshed. The cardinal declared that the pope is the fittest to take the lead in restoring peace, right and justice, having no interest of his own to further.

The pontiff's post as "vicar of the king of peace," entitles him to be mediator for the good of humanity, said Cardinal Vannutelli.

RATE ADVANCE ALLOWED

INCREASES IN FREIGHT RATES ON
WESTERN ROADS—DECISION
MEANS ADDITIONAL REVENUE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Railroads operating between the Mississippi and Missouri rivers and the Rocky mountains were granted increases in freight rates by the interstate commerce commission yesterday on many commodities, including agricultural implements, canned goods and boots and shoes.

No estimate of the additional revenue the roads will derive from the advances is contained in the commission's report on the case, but it will amount into the hundreds of thousands annually, despite the fact that numerous increases sought were denied.

Although there is still pending before the commission proposed increases on a few other commodities, the general campaign of the western roads to obtain higher rates on the more important commodities virtually is at an end.

Both the case decided yesterday and the one still pending are related to the so-called western advance rate case.

ST. PATRICK'S SCHOOL

Exercises Held Yesterday in School
Hall—Requiem For Sister Mary at
Church Yesterday

A mass of requiem for the repose of the soul of the late Sister Mary, who taught in Lowell for many years, and whose death occurred at the Sisters' home in Worcester recently, was celebrated at St. Patrick's church, this city, yesterday, and was attended by all the pupils of St. Patrick's parochial school.

At the close of the mass the children gathered in the school hall for the annual Christmas exercises. Hymns were sung and recitations given. Rev. Bro. Osmund, master of the school, addressed the gathering briefly and on behalf of all the teachers of the school he extended the pupils wishes for a happy Christmas.

MRS. S. E. DE FOREST DEAD
For 41 Years a Missionary of American
Board of Commissioners For
Foreign Missions

BOSTON, Dec. 24.—The receipt of a cablegram from Japan bringing word of the death of Mrs. Sarah E. De Forest, for 41 years a missionary of the American board of commissioners for foreign missions, was announced by the board today. Mrs. De Forest, who was a native of Guilford, Conn., was the widow of Rev. Dr. John H. De Forest, for many years one of the leading missionaries in Japan.

S. B. WHITING IS DEAD

CALUMET & HECLA GENERAL MAN-
AGER 13 YEARS—CONNECTED
WITH MANY ENTERPRISES

BOSTON, Dec. 24.—Stephen B. Whiting, who was for 13 years general manager of the Calumet & Hecla Mining company, died yesterday at his home, 11 Ware street, Cambridge, at the age of 71 years. He acquired considerable fame by building years ago the Whiting shaft, which used to be the deepest shaft in the world.

He was born at Reading Ridge, Conn., and, after attending school in his own town and in New Haven, he became a mechanical and mining engineer, doing important construction work for years in Pennsylvania, one of his early achievements being the construction of the Chestnut street bridge, Philadelphia, and the building of a light draft motor for the United States government, during the Civil war.

For a number of years Mr. Whiting made his home at Pottsville, Pa., where he was superintendent of the Colliery Iron Works, and later was mechanical engineer and general manager of the Philadelphia & Reading Coal and Iron company.

It was at this time that he invented a rope-driving apparatus for deep-mine work, which is now used in large mines all over the world.

Mr. Whiting assumed the general management of the Calumet & Hecla in 1888 and held this position till his retirement from business in 1901. His family has lived in Cambridge since 1838, spending the summers during his management of the Calumet & Hecla mines. In Calumet, and in recent years at Galloupes Point on the North Shore, he leaves a wife, Mrs. Kate Burr Draper and four sons, Charles W. Whiting, Howard E. Whiting and Stephen Edgar Whiting, all of Cambridge, and Dr. Albert D. Whiting of Philadelphia.

STORROW SPENT \$78.03

CAMPAIGN EXPENSE ACCOUNTS
FILED—KENNY AND ATTORNEY
BELOW \$100 LIMIT

BOSTON, Dec. 24.—According to a statement filed yesterday with the city clerk, James J. Storrow expended in the recent municipal campaign a total of \$78.03.

The statement is an itemized one for each day, the items being "messengers, hotel room, telephone, carfare, newspapers, meals, taxicabs, envelopes, carbon papers, etc."

On Dec. 2 he spent \$6.70; Dec. 4, \$5.74; Dec. 5, \$1.60; Dec. 7, \$6.45; Dec. 8, \$4.55; Dec. 9, \$4.33; Dec. 10, \$5.76; Dec. 11, \$5.70; Dec. 12, \$11.50; Dec. 13, \$6.75; Dec. 14, election day, \$1.40.

From Nov. 10 to Dec. 14, inclusive, his miscellaneous pocket expenses amounted to \$15, making the grand total of \$78.03.

The four Good Government candidates gave out a statement early in the campaign that neither would go over \$100.

Thomas J. Kenny, according to his sworn statement, expended \$10, of which \$15 was for advertising. John J. Attridge spent \$68.30, of which \$58.30 was for stamped envelopes.

James A. Watson expended a total of \$52.55.

The other candidates for the city council have not yet filed statements of expense accounts.

For the school committee, Frances G. Curtis spent, from Dec. 1 to Dec. 14, 50 cents for carfare. Christina D. Page spent 10 cents for carfare and failed to get a place on the ballot. Dr. Herbert J. Keenan, the democratic candidate, spent nothing and received the same.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

Several applications for membership were received and a number of candidates initiated at the regular meeting of Highland council, Royal Arcanum, held last evening in Highland hall with Regent Nielsen in the chair. Arrangements were made for the inter-council whist tournament which will start on Jan. 6 at Lowell 5 council. At the close of the meeting a whist party was held, John McVay and John Eldridge winning first and second prizes respectively.

An old fashioned box party and entertainment followed the regular meeting of Dorcas Temple, 13, Pythian Sisters, held last evening. The entertainment consisted of: Songs, Master Daniel Martin; Miss Gibbons, reader; piano solos, Master Douglas Walker and Miss Grace Farley. The last number on the program was a recitation, "Grandma," by Miss Genevieve Young, four years of age. The affair was in charge of the officers and degree staff.

Clan Grant, O.S.C.

At the meeting of Clan Grant, 141, O.S.C., held in Grafton hall, with Chief William Moehle presiding, the committee in charge of the arrangements for the celebration of the Robert Burns anniversary reported that a splendid program had been arranged. One application for membership was received and five candidates were initiated. Past Chief Thomas Tull of Clan Johnston of Andover has been appointed deputy and will install the officers of Clan Grant at the next meeting.

James A. Garfield Post

The regular meeting of James A. Garfield Post 120, G.A.L., was held with a large attendance. F. B. Flanders presided. Reports of various committees were read and referred. It was voted to give B. F. Butler Post 43 and the B. Butler Ladies Relief Corps, 74, the use of the hall for their installation services. Plans were made for the installation exercises which will be held in January. There were remarks for the good of the order by several comrades. The next regular meeting of the post will be held on the fourth Wednesday in January, 1916, and all the comrades are most cordially invited to be present.

"HELLO, FRISCO"

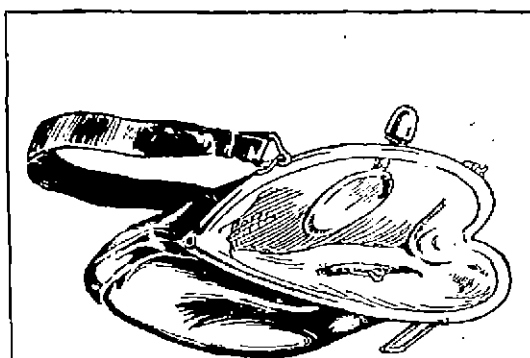
WORCESTER, Dec. 24.—Worcester was in telephone communication with San Francisco for more than two hours last night in connection with a meeting of the Worcester plant chapter of the New England Telephone.

One hundred and fifty instruments from horticultural exchange were in commission. Pres. P. L. Spalding, Vice Pres. E. K. Hall and other officials of the company and Mayor Wright were guests.

Mayor Wright, Joseph H. Lane of the chamber of commerce, Pres. B. B. Snow of the Rotary club, Rev. Dr. J. N. Dinand, president of Holy Cross college, Mrs. Log Shee, Worcester's Chinese citizen, and others talked with San Francisco officials.

The girls of the Worcester exchange sang "Hello, Frisco" over the wire and an orchestra in that city played "The Star Spangled Banner" as the Worcester audience stood and listened.

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NO. CHELMSFORD NEWS

How Christmas is to be Observed
in Village—New High School
Favored—Other Notes

Christmas will be celebrated in North Chelmsford tomorrow in a joyous manner. Special religious services will be conducted in all the churches and elaborate musical programs will be rendered. In the homes of the residents great preparations have been planned for the day and the children are awaiting expectantly the coming of Kris Kringle. The various church auditoriums are beautifully decorated and there is hardly a house in the village that does not boast of a wreath of holly. As a result of the period of prosperity with which the people have been favored Christmas this year promises to be one of the happiest in years.



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St. John's Society

Installation of the officers recently elected by St. John's T. A. society will take place next Tuesday evening with fitting ceremonies. The society has enjoyed a very prosperous season and all of its social events have been pronounced successes. Further improvements in the quarters of the society are contemplated and steps will be taken soon towards the installation of the howling alleys which have been in storage for nearly a year. The new officers of the society are as follows: Michael J. Scollan, president; Irving P. Shields, vice-president; Henry R. Garvey, recording secretary; Arthur J. Welsh, financial secretary; James P. Walker, treasurer; John F. Haffey, doorkeeper; board of trustees, Joseph Leo Ryan, Henry LaFrance, and Harold Tucker.

Congregational Church

Rev. Franklin Reeves, pastor of the Congregational church, will preach the sermon at the Saturday morning service. The choir under the direction of Mrs. W. Slater will sing with Miss Hazel Peterson and Miss Edna Daniels as the soloists. In the evening a musical program will be given by the children of the Sunday school.

St. John's Church

Masses at St. John's church Saturday morning will be at 7.30 and 9.30 o'clock. Rev. Edmund T. Schofield, pastor of the church, will celebrate both while his assistant Rev. Henry L. Scott, will officiate at St. Catherine's church, Graniteville. An augmented choir under the direction of the organist, Miss Grace Quigley, will render a special musical program. The church auditorium and altars are beautifully decorated for the day.

Schools

The schools of the village closed last Friday for the annual Christmas vacation and the students have enjoyed nearly a week's vacation thus far. The time has been spent by the majority in resting and skating. The high school will reopen on Monday but the grammar schools will not reopen until a week later. The students of the North high school are in hopes that the practice followed in recent years of holding one session daily and all the reopening of the grammar schools, will be complied with this year.

Delphonia Fraternity

In the southern part of North Chelmsford, the committee appointed by the Delphonia Fraternity have arranged for a community Christmas tree to be held Saturday evening at 8.30 o'clock. Much enthusiasm has been shown in the event and everyone is invited to be present. The committee has thus far received \$43 with which presents will be purchased for 100 children. Following the presentation of gifts a musical entertainment will be carried out. The program will include Miss Catherine Greene, reader; Miss Mabel Paignon, soloist, and

George's orchestra. The committee in charge of the affair consists of the following: Emilio Paignon, Wilbur Lapham, Henry Slavely, Mrs. John Emerson, Mrs. Edgar Parker and Mrs. Wilbur Lapham.

High School Party

New Year's party will be conducted by the senior class of the North high school in the town hall tonight and the affair promises to be a grand success. Invitations have been sent out to several hundred former students of the school and friends and a large attendance is expected. The members of the class are to be commended on their work in decorating the hall.

Personals

Fred Chandler, a former North Chelmsford resident who now lives in the Centre, is home for the Christmas vacation. Mr. Chandler is a member of the faculty at Proctor Academy, Andover, N. H. He is a graduate of the North high school.

Royal Shawcross is confined to his home with an attack of a gripple. He is a student at the Boston School of Finance and Commerce.

New High School

There has been much talk in the village the past week as a result of the report that the voters of the Centre were in favor of erecting a new high school there at a cost of between \$65,000 and \$80,000. Chelmsford Centre residents claim that their schools are crowded and that better accommodations are needed.

The voters of the North village do not look with favor upon the plan for a new high school in the Centre. They claim that if a high school is to be built it should be erected in North Chelmsford. They assert that the North village contributes about four-fifths of the money collected by taxation and that they should have the say in the matter. The North high school at the present time is taxed to capacity and there is very poor ventilation. Several changes have been made in an attempt to relieve the congestion but they have been of little or no benefit.

A public meeting to consider the question of better accommodations for the children will be held in the town hall, Chelmsford Centre, on Monday evening and it is expected that a large number of North Chelmsford voters will attend to oppose any motion for a new school in the Centre. The meeting is to be held under the direction of the town school committee.

M. E. Church Christmas Tree

The usual Christmas tree and exercises will be held in the West village M. E. church this evening. There will be no recitations and singing by the children, after which presents will be distributed by Santa Claus. A very enjoyable time is promised all who attend.

The superintendent of schools has authorized Principal Trubey to sign labor certificates until further notice. Harry Carlson of the West Village has been appointed an instructor at the North Bennett industrial school, Boston.

William McCombs is home from the Boston Co-operative Engineering school for the Christmas vacation.

Cyril Trubey of Dunstable road and Charles Coburn of Tyngsboro are home from New Hampshire state college.

Harold Hodge, a former pupil of the North high school has secured a position as draftsman at the Lamson Co., Lowell.

Christmas Celebration Tonight

A Christmas tree with appropriate exercises will be held tonight in Joe Sternberg's hall, Crystal lake, for the benefit of the children residing in that vicinity and the upper part of Grafton

road, whose circumstances have thus far prevented them from enjoying a real happy Christmas. About 30 children and their parents, most of whom are foreigners, have been invited to be present and nothing has been spared to make the evening a memorable one for them. Mrs. John Vinal, Mrs. Geo. Bacon and Mrs. Bertram Parkhurst, assisted by other willing workers, have worked hard to complete the arrangements for the affair.

Camp Fire Girls

The members of the Camp Fire Girls held a Christmas tree on Wednesday evening and the affair was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended. The rooms were elaborately decorated for the occasion and the tree presented a decidedly attractive appearance with its numerous presents and silver trimmings. Miss Eleanor Kibber, imperator, presided and presented the gifts. Every girl besides receiving an appropriate gift from the tree was presented a supplementary gift of a box of chocolates from Mrs. William Picken, who now has charge of the organization. As a testimonial of the esteem in which Miss Kibber is held, Miss Kibber on behalf of the girls presented her a beautiful friendship bracelet. A musical and literary program was afterward carried out, games were played and refreshments were served.

HELD CHRISTMAS BANQUET

The annual Christmas banquet of the Chase Decoration club was held last evening in the store of the Lowell Wall Paper Co., on Appleton street. The election of officers resulted: President, Edward F. Jones; secretary, Walter V. Burnett; treasurer, Walter A. Chase. The store was decorated with evergreen and flags and a small Christmas tree was placed in the center of the banquet table. A. L. Kinney, toastmaster, called for remarks from all present and a merry evening was enjoyed. Solo gifts were distributed and a fine victrola concert was given by Walter Burnett.

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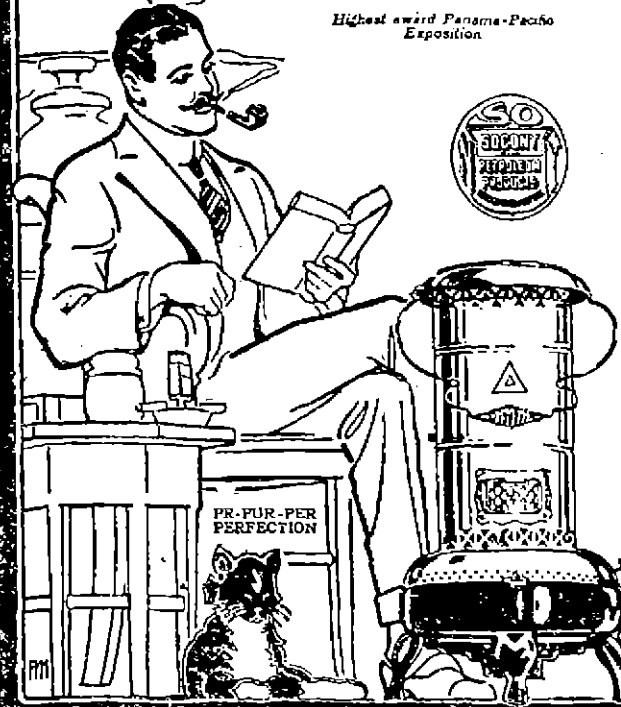
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INMIGRABLE SETTLEMENT

Conviction Prevails in Vienna That Differences With U. S. Will Be Satisfactorily Adjusted

VIENNA, Dec. 24, via London, 12.20 p.m.—In all quarters the conviction is entering that the differences between Austria-Hungary and the United States which arose from the Ancona incident are susceptible to amicable settlement.

The Austro-Hungarian reply to the Ancona note may be expected in a few days.

The Austro-Hungarian note from Washington is being studied here. Meanwhile the press is withholding comment. The remarks incident to the announcement that the note had been received were temperate and even friendly.

No inkling has been gained as to the nature of the forthcoming Austro-Hungarian communication to the United States but in this connection attaches to an article by Prof. Dr. Lammach, one of the leading Austrian authorities on international law, and a member of the international law faculty at Vienna.

Prof. Lammach suggests that in view of the fact that there is misunderstanding between the two nations, an international commission of naval experts from neutral countries be appointed to examine the Ancona case, as was done in the famous Lusitania incident. It is felt in certain quarters here that this procedure would offer the best chance of establishing the facts and thus placing the responsibility.

The Associated Press correspondent in Vienna states on the best authority that the Austrian government, as well as the German, is willing to do its utmost to maintain good relations with the United States provided, no conditions regarded as prejudicial to the honor of this nation are imposed.

At the American embassy the impression prevails that it is still possible to arrive at a solution of the Ancona question.

FRENCH OUTRAGE
LONDON, Dec. 24.—Commenting editorially on the sinking of the Japanese steamer Yasaka Maru in the Mediterranean by a submarine, the Standard says:

"This fresh outrage will rob any disavowal by the Austrian government of the officer who sank the Ancona of any virtue. Even if there were no American passengers aboard the Yasaka Maru the circumstances of her destruction can hardly be absolved from the mind of President Wilson when he comes to determine the next step in the controversy with the central powers."

"TREATED AS MURDERER"
PARIS, Dec. 24.—The Matin in an editorial today on the latest note sent to Austria-Hungary by the United States relative to the sinking of the steamer Ancona by an Austrian submarine, says:

"The submarine commander having been declared not responsible, the government is indicted for murder in his place, and if that government does not give full satisfaction it must be treated as a murderer. This language can signify nothing less than a rupture of diplomatic relations unless America's demands are complied with."

BERLIN PAPER ATTACKS WILSON
AMSTERDAM, Dec. 24, via London.—In commenting on the second American note to Austria-Hungary concerning the Ancona incident, the Volks Zeitung of Cologne, Germany, makes a vigorous attack on President Wilson. It says the president will not let slip an opportunity to gain a great success since "failure would prejudice his prospects for the next election."

The Cologne Gazette says the note leaves the door open for friendly discussion. It is couched in conciliatory terms, he adds, and the questions as to the facts of the case and the legality of the American commander's act may be discussed calmly and objectively.

DEATHS
BURKE—Bridget Burke died yesterday at the Chelmsford Street hospital, aged 70 years. The body was taken to the rooms of Undertakers James P. Donnell & Son.

FUNERAL NOTICE
McGRATH—The funeral of Redmond McGrath will take place tomorrow (Saturday) afternoon at 2.30 from his home, 21 Sargent street, Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of J. H. Savage, Monday morning at 8 o'clock a high mass of requiem will be sung at St. Patrick's church.

MATRIMONIAL
John Earl Normande and Miss Florie Gillett were married last evening, the ceremony being performed at 7 o'clock at 21 Sargent street, Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of J. H. Savage, Monday morning at 8 o'clock a high mass of requiem will be sung at St. Patrick's church.

SUN BREVITIES
Best printing: Tobin's, Asso. Bldg. If your teeth trouble you see Dr. Gagnon, 465 Merrimack street.

When you have any real estate to sell, consult J. F. Donohue, Donovan Bldg., Telephone.

Miss Edith Sanders of Lowell took part as a soloist in a Christmas party held this week at Wheaton college.

Last call for clippers for the Lowell University for 1916. All changes of rate must be sent at once to Trine's Book store or to the board of health.

Mr. Harry L. Pilkington, formerly of this city, sails from New York on Tuesday of next week on the steamship Rotterdam for Europe, visiting England, France, Holland and Switzerland. He will be gone about three months.

A brilliant party was given last evening in Central hall by Mrs. Mary W. Holden of 1401 Third street to present her daughter, Miss Mary Holden. The hall was beautifully decorated. Mrs. Holden and daughter received from 9 until 10.30, after which dancing was enjoyed. The ushers were Joe V. Melz, Jr., William Melz, Victor Lockmeyer, Otto Lockmeyer, Frederick Church, Roger Lockman, Truman Stafford and Percy Barker, Jr.

Open an account in The Lowell Five Cent Savings Bank. Interest begins Saturday, January 1st.

Those who are in doubt about choosing a pleasing gift may have their minds set at ease by visiting our store procuring one of our attractive plants which will bloom all winter.

JAS. J. McMANNON
6 PRESCOTT STREET
Nursery, Lawrence or line, Dracut.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

VERDICT OF \$28,671.03

IN FAVOR OF DOHERTY BROTHERS
RETURNED BY JURY AFTER ALL NIGHT SESSION

The insurance case of Doherty Bros. of this city vs. the Phoenix and 12 other fire insurance companies to recover on 13 policies held by the plaintiffs for loss by fire to their property at the Chandler Mfg. Co. of Ayer, which has been on trial before Judge Keating in the superior court this city for several days came to a conclusion this morning when the jury after being out all night, and after receiving further instructions from Judge Keating this morning returned a verdict for the plaintiff. In 13 different suits which aggregate a total of \$28,671.03.

On March 25, 1915 fire destroyed the Chandler Machine company's plant at Ayer, Mass., in which the Doherty Brothers, the well known local foundrymen of this city had a large lot of personal property stored, consisting of office furniture, machinery and extra spare parts of planers and lathes, drawings, plans, etc. These they had insured as follows: Office furniture, \$300; machinery, parts of planers, etc., \$7500 and patterns, plans, etc., \$20,000. This insurance was carried in 13 companies, the policies running in amount from \$1075 to \$3550 each.

The Doherty Bros. and the insurance companies could not agree as to the amount of damage done and accordingly the customary three referees were appointed to appraise the loss. The Doherty Bros. were represented by Edward M. Woodward, Worcester, president of the Woodward Power company. The insurance companies were represented by George V. Rogers, of Boston, a professional appraiser. The third referee was appointed by the insurance commissioner and was W. L. Tohey, Jr. of Boston.

The referees held two hearings, on July 20 and August 4th, and on August 10 a majority of the board reported the losses as follows: Loss on patterns, plans, etc., \$25,000 on office furniture, \$300, on machinery, \$1500. The insurance companies submitted to the report of the referees again refused to pay the claims and then suit was formally brought and the case went to trial last week.

During the trial of the case, one of the jurors was excused by agreement on account of illness in his family and the case proceeded with 11 jurors. On the jury also was Mr. Martin J. Doran, of Framingham, a gardener by occupation. Shortly after the beginning of the trial Mr. Doran was seized with a severe attack of bronchial trouble and required medical attendance at the court house, but he declined to leave the panel and stuck through to the finish, coming up all night with his colleagues, last night.

The case went to the jury yesterday noon, and when submitted the jury was required to answer three questions: First, Did the plaintiffs or someone procured by them, set the fire? Second, Is the award valid? Third, Was the policy of the London Assurance company procured by the plaintiffs? The third question was immaterial compared with the other two for it affected the verdict only to the extent of a few hundred dollars.

At 3.40 o'clock yesterday afternoon the jury came in for special instructions. They wished to know whether if they answered "yes" to the second question, it was the duty of the plaintiffs to recover the full amount of insurance, \$27,500, with interest added, provided that they answered the first question in the negative.

Having received the necessary instructions the jury then retired and when they had not returned a verdict at 5 o'clock, court adjourned until 10 o'clock this morning.

Upon the opening of court the jury came in once more for instructions and Judge Keating quoted to them from the case of the Commonwealth vs. Tuohy relative to minority jurors holding out against the judgment of the majority. The jury retired once more and shortly before 11 o'clock returned a verdict for the plaintiffs against each of the defendants aggregating \$28,671.03, which includes interest since June 15.

Messrs. John M. and Frank J. Mowley of Ayer, appeared for the plaintiffs and Messrs. Caine and Holbrook for the defendants. The case will probably go up to the supreme court on exceptions.

GIFT TO WILLIAM O. PURCELL
William C. Purcell, register of deeds at the local court house, was the recipient of a beautiful Christmas present this morning, it being a chainmail golf coat, which was given him by his clerks. The coat is of the Norfolk style, one of those which is warm in winter and cool in the summer, and the first garment of the kind to be brought to this city.

FUNERALS
TRINITY—The funeral of Mrs. Ellen (Dwyer) Trainer, took place this morning from her home in Billerica avenue, Billerica, at 10 o'clock. The burial was at St. Andrew's church at 1 o'clock a high mass of requiem was celebrated by Rev. J. J. O'Connell, D.D. The burial offerings were numerous and consisted of the following: Pillow, inscribed "Our husband, standing cross on base 'Our loving and faithful wife, Margaret, inscribed 'Our Sister'." Mr. and Mrs. A. Kemp, and tributes from the following: Mrs. Dwyer Trainer, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Kearney, Mr. and Mrs. J. Kemp, Eva Agatha and Thomas Trainer, jurors who were sitting at the court house, Lowell, Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah Monahan, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Devine and daughter, Dominick Trainer and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Devine, Mr. and Mrs. J. Lenney, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Landay, Mrs. Elizabeth Riley, Mrs. Ella Riley, Mrs. Fox, Anne Ella, and Margaret Devine, Mrs. Albert Kemp, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kemp, Mr. and Mrs. Mary M. Sweeney, Mrs. E. M. Sweeney, Mrs. McDonald, Mrs. John Trainer, Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Devine and others. About 100 town relatives and friends attending the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. Dwyer of New York, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hadden, all of Dorchester, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. O'Connell, Mr. and Mrs. O'Connell of Worcester, Henry Burke and family, Catherine Burke and sister from Haverhill and Mr. and Mrs. Burke and daughter of Westford. The bearers were Dominick, James and Vincent Trainer, Paul Merrill, Frank J. Devine and Patrick M. Sweeney. Burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery where the conventional prayers were read by Rev. Dan J. Murphy. Funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertakers J. J. O'Connell & Co.

TANGO DOLL FACTORY
CHRISTMAS TREE ENJOYED BY THE EMPLOYEES AT THE FACTORY ON MIDDLE STREET

It was a pleasant gathering that took place this afternoon in the workshop of the Tango doll factory in Middle street, where Christmas tree exercises were held, those participating being the employees of the place and a few invited guests.

At noon work was suspended until Monday morning and at 2 o'clock the 16 lady employees and a few friends gathered in the workshop and after singing a few Christmas carols, the grab-bag was in order, that is, the large Christmas tree handsomely decorated and laden with bags containing valuable gifts was taken by storm and in a few minutes each one present was in possession of a gift of some kind.

Ice cream and cake as well as fruit were served and a delightful violoncello recital was given, the musical program being followed by general dancing. The affair was under the direction of Miss Edith G. Madocce, superintendent.

INDUSTRIAL AND STORE NEWS
Weavers' union held an interesting meeting last evening in Trades and Labor hall. Business of considerable importance was transacted and four

new members were initiated and three applications for membership were received. A number of committee reports were read and remarks on the good of the organization were made by several of the members. Organizer Thomas F. McMahon, who has charge of the Nashua strike, was present and made an interesting address.

Machinists' Union, Local 319
Machinists' union, local 319, met in regular session last night in Odd Fellows hall and transacted a large amount of routine business. Five new members were received into the organization and two applications were referred to the investigating committee. Following the adjournment of the session the members discussed a number of labor topics.

Machinists' Union, Local 829
Local 829, Machinists' union, held its regular meeting last night in Cotton Spinnery's hall. Only routine business was transacted and a number of committee reports were disposed of.

GREAT RUSH IN STORES

LARGE STORES ANNOUNCE THE GREATEST CHRISTMAS BUSINESS ON RECORD

The large department stores of the city and all other business establishments have done an unprecedented amount of Christmas business up till today and many of the store managers interviewed by a Sun representative this morning said they could have done for more but for lack of space.

The majority of workers have had a season of unusual prosperity, particularly during the past six months and they have had reasonable amounts of spending money for the great holiday season.

"There has been no plunging in fashionable luxuries such as has been the case in times past, and the majority of people have shown good business judgment in purchasing necessities rather than things useless though ornamental."

All the stores have large consignments of sensible Christmas gifts on display and there are few articles that would attract the frivolous.

It was not necessary to have the toys of Germany to make a happy Christmas for the kiddies and stores dealing in these toys have done a record breaking business on lines manufactured in this country.

In conversation with the writer relative to the business situation, Mr. G. Pollard, of the firm of A. G. Pollard & Co., said: "This has been a very prosperous season for our store and we have done more business during the past few days than in any like Christmas period in years."

Manager Gilmore of the Bon Marche reported a gigantic Christmas trade and said he could have done more business if he had the floor space. Mr. Gilmore observed a noticeable change in the goods purchased, the tendency being to avoid gewgaws which have had practically no sale.

In the Gilleb's, the Challinors and other stores visited similar statements were made relative to the Christmas trade and the majority seemed to think that business will continue to be good from now on.

The stores presented a very pretty picture, indeed, the Challinors store being especially attractive. All were well filled with shoppers and sales were made rapidly by the large forces of regular and extra clerks. This evening will be the last chance to purchase Christmas articles and the people should do their buying as early and as quickly as possible. Local extra clerks have been a great strain on the store employees, and they should be shown every consideration in the closing hours of the last day.

WANTED
Machinists, Scraper Hands, Assemblers, Turner Machine Operators for Chuck Work, also Moulders. Apply P. O. Box 453, Fitchburg, Mass.

CITY HALL NEWS
The examination today was conducted by Examiner Hubbell.

Weights and Measures
Warren P. Riden, sealer of weights and measures, is in receipt of a congratulatory and somewhat important communication from Thure Hinson, state commissioner of weights and measures, relative to the work of the local office. After expressing his appreciation for the earnest and hearty co-operation manifested by Mr. Riden, the commissioner proceeds to point out the real importance of the office. The following are extracts from his letter:

You are engaged in a scientific and practical work, a work which calls for a full measure of your mental and physical ability. It becomes your province to deal with problems that trouble men and that trouble industry, and men of affairs. Your department should be of helpfulness to all, and to work out the difficulties and remove them from the avenues and channels of honest and legitimate commercial endeavor. Yours is the province to be helpful to men and women who have nobody else to help them, and who are not able to protect and help themselves for there is a possibility of violating the interests of the consumer in small dealings, and when these dealings are with the poor people.

In dealing with problems resulting from commercial misconduct, your duty is clearly defined. These problems and conditions must be met, carefully adjusted, and the consumer protected. Many consumers can be effectively discouraged and disposed of by the exercise of good, common sense, which is, as a rule, good law.

Your work as an official may technically be termed "making honesty." On your vigilance depends the establishment and maintenance of a uniform standard of honest weights and measures. On your vigilance depends the prohibition of commercial misconduct in general, and your careful application to your duties will make for the highest standard of efficiency, calculated to generate a moral influence for honest exchange and commercial honesty in every avenue of trade.

It follows that your personal conduct and department will at all times be regarded with much public concern, and it should be your special care to so portray your conduct and department that irrespective of prejudice and misapprehension you will always command a dignified respect from the work of your department, which you have prepared will be carefully compiled and recorded. In this report I asked that

LEGAL NOTICES

SHERIFF'S SALE
Commonwealth of Massachusetts—Middlesex, ss. Lowell, November 23, 1915.

This day taken and sold on Execution, taken upon the writ of replevin from the Superior Court holden at Fitchburg for and within the County of Worcester on the first Monday of November, 1915, at 10 o'clock A. M. the property of said Fitchburg, as he is administrator of the estate of Daniel Shea, late of Oxford, in said County of Worcester, deceased, in said County of Worcester, to wit: the estate of Julia Sheehan, late of Lowell, in said County of Middlesex, deceased, in the hands and possession of said Fitchburg, as said Fitchburg, administrator of said estate, and will be sold at public auction on Saturday, Jan. 2, 1916, at 10 o'clock A. M. at my office, Room No. 210 (third floor), so-called, on Merrimack street, opposite Central Street, in said Lowell, all the right, title and interest therein by him from attachment or levy on execution, which said Julia Sheehan died seized and possessed of at the time her death occurred, to wit: a 1915, at eleven o'clock A. 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YOUNG TUCKER GETS OFF PRIEST MISSING CITY CHRISTMAS TREE CHRISTMAS IN CLUBBON

Friends From Maine Secured His Release Under Suspended Sentence—Other Cases

Herbert A. Tucker, the 18-year-old youth arrested in Haverhill Sunday and brought to this city on a charge of larceny of \$70 in money and a varied list of small articles from Nelson's 5 and 10 cent store on Central street, appeared before Judge Bright in the juvenile session of police court this forenoon. He admitted his guilt.

Young Tucker went to work as a store boy in Nelson's store about Dec. 1. Last Saturday night instead of departing with his fellow employees at the usual hour the lad secluded himself in a closet until everything was quiet. He then rifled the cash registers in the store, gathering over \$70 in small change. He also helped himself to the following articles which were found in his possession in Haverhill: Seven ties, five shirts, one pair gloves, eight pairs stockings, one brush, one box shoe polish, one jackknife, one pocket ash, two batteries, two flashlights, one shaving brush, one pocketbook, one pair garters, two and a half clankies, one printing press and type, one razor, two pocketbooks, one drum and one suit case.

The lad has no home. He claims that his father left him after the death of his mother several years ago. For four years he lived with a relative, Eugene Cate, Island Pond road, Manchester, N. H., and while there he had an excellent reputation. Large sums of money were before him continually, said Mr. Cate, and he was never known to touch a cent that did not belong to him. About Dec. 1, the boy left Manchester and came to Lowell to work. It is believed that while away from home and relatives he was influenced to commit the crime. When arrested, young Tucker told the police that he stole because he was discouraged and needed new clothing for the Christmas season.

The defendant's guardian, Mr. J. M. Stewart of Woodland, Me., and Mr. Cate of Manchester, N. H., appeared in court this forenoon in the boy's behalf. They suggested to state of cases that if the court would give the boy a chance, Mr. Stewart would take him to Maine and find work for him there. It being the first offense of any kind against the lad, His Honor agreed to do this. A representative of the Nelson Co. said that the firm was willing to sanction anything the court thought would be for the betterment of the boy.

Before imposing a suspended sentence to the Industrial School for Boys at Shirley, Judge Bright advised the lad to go with his guardian to Maine and be careful not to get into any similar trouble in the future. When arrested Tucker had about \$55 in the stolen money in his pockets. Mr. Stewart paid the difference in the amount and also paid the court expenses.

Served in British Army

The regular court session this forenoon was short. John J. Walsh, an old offender who claims to have served in the British army years ago, was accused of neglecting to support his wife, Annie M. Mrs. Walsh said that her husband deserted her the last time on Thanksgiving and she did not see him since until today. For 13 years, she said, she has been struggling along and now supports four children while her husband remains about at his own will. The defendant offered an old excuse which did not appear to have any foundation. He was sentenced to four months in the house of correction with the understanding that different disposition will be made of the case if his charges against his wife prove to be true.

Four labor, you were my Sunday school teacher years ago and I wasn't a bad fellow then, was 17 pleaded James F. O'Neil after Patrolman Jos. Connelley and another witness had testified that he was a nuisance in Merrimack square. The court looked at

the prisoner for a moment and replied: "Well, if I were, I fear I was not a success." O'Neil promised faithfully that if given this chance he would pick up his belongings and not bother Lowellites any more. He was given two days to leave Lowell under a suspended sentence of three months in jail.

Manslaughter Charge

The manslaughter charge against Richard L. Freeman, the driver of the automobile which killed Lawrence Liz on George street a few weeks ago, was continued for three weeks. The inquest has not yet been concluded.

Michael A. Sullivan, was brought in on a capias and sent to jail for three months. Frank P. Donahue, who recently appeared from a sentence to the state farm, was arrested this morning for drunkenness. His case will come up Monday.

AMERICANS ORDERED OUT

VILLA PLANS NEW INVASION—GATHERING FORCES FOR AN ATTACK ON SINALOA

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 24.—Gen. Francisco Villa, stripped of a large part of his army through surrender to the de facto government, is preparing to invade Northern Sinaloa, together with the forces of Gen. Jose Rodriguez, in command of 2000 troops, according to advices here late yesterday.

Gen. Villa, it was reported, is preparing to move southwest from the Bustillos Ranch, in western Chihuahua, and pick up a small number of troops under Gen. Medina Vela near Madera.

Gen. Rodriguez is said to be already moving from Casas Grandes toward Sinaloa. The information was received here through messages to Villa from some of his remaining generals, intercepted by a Mexican repairing wires between Chihuahua and Juarez. Two employees of the Hearst ranch, near Madera, where Gen. Medina Vela is quartered, arrived yesterday, and reported four men held prisoners there on Gen. Villa's orders. The manager of the property, who is here, says they are: P. Keane, English; F. S. Black and W. M. Evans, American; Richard Wagner, German.

All Americans were ordered out of Juarez at 8:30 yesterday evening and ordered to remain on the American side by Gen. Pershing at the same time. Trams were stopped, and a mob was reported to have surrounded the government financial agency at Juarez, demanding money.

Gen. Manuel Ochoa with his staff yesterday retired to the American side. Ochoa, it is said, feared reprisals because of his imprisonment in Juarez of Gov. Fidel Avila and Gen. Victoriano Avila, before he surrendered to the de facto government. Col. Flaviano Belazu, a former Villa general, was placed in temporary command at Juarez.

Mrs. Thomas Edwards, wife of the American consul at Juarez, was the first American to cross into the United States, following the order given out at military headquarters. Edwards left for the east several days ago.

The United States border patrol immediately was increased and traffic over the international bridges halted. No Americans were permitted to cross. Gen. Pershing's order being rigidly enforced.

Later in the evening an official of the de facto government at Juarez telephoned that the situation was under control. He said there had been trouble with the soldiers over wages payments, but that this matter had been settled satisfactorily.

DISORDER AT JUAREZ

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 24.—The most pressing problem of the Carranza de facto government of Mexico today is its newly acquired Villa territory is the establishment of paper currency on a basis that will insure its acceptance by former Villa soldiers.

Last night's disorder in Juarez was the result of the discovery that there was no silver in sight. Preparations, however, had been made for an outbreak and it was speedily put down after a show of arms in the street.

The presence of agents of a party working in opposition to the de facto government was indicated when unofficial notice was given that two Americans were meddling in Mexican politics in Juarez. They were ordered to remain on the American side.

The de facto government today is conducting Juarez affairs from El Paso, the former Villa generals being left to handle the Juarez situation until further orders.

Saturday, January 1st, is "Quarter Day" at The Lowell Five Cent Savings Bank.

Friends Fear Fr. Foppiano, of Boston, Met With Foul Play

BOSTON, Dec. 24.—A search practically nation wide, which has been in progress for the past three weeks, has failed to reveal any trace of the whereabouts of the Rev. Ludovic Foppiano, O.F.M., one of the Franciscan fathers connected with the Church of St. Leonard of Port Maurice on Prince street, North End, from whom nothing has been heard since Oct. 19.

Fears are entertained by his brother clergymen and relatives in this city that he has met with foul play and the police of the entire west, together with federal officials, have been asked to search for him. He was last heard from in San Francisco from which city on the 19th of October he sent a post card to a sister in Boston stating that he was leaving for the east the next day. He was making a visit to San Francisco and the Panama exposition, being on his first vacation in the 20 years since his ordination.

In San Francisco it has been ascertained that he left his hotel on the morning of Oct. 20 with his baggage and since that time all trace of him has been lost. It has also been found out that his return ticket has not been cashed in at any railroad office nor has a most vigorous search revealed his baggage.

While in San Francisco to a close personal friend he spoke admiringly of the country about Los Angeles, saying that he might return that way. To another he spoke of the beauty of the Canadian Rockies. All the while the west have been notified of his disappearance, but no one answering his description is remembered by any of the clerks or officials.

As he carried numerous articles with him which would at once identify him, it is thought unlikely that he is in a hospital, and it is feared that he has met with foul play.

BRITISH LOSSES

Asquith Says Casualties Up to December Ninth Were 528,227

LONDON, Dec. 24, 12:04 p. m.—Replying to a written question by F. A. Molten, member of the house of commons, Premier Asquith today gave the total casualties up to Dec. 9 as 528,227.

Detailed figures of the casualties as given by Premier Asquith, corrected the figures concerning losses at the Dardanelles given yesterday in the house of commons. At that time the casualties up to Dec. 11 were given as 119,921, a smaller total than the premier gave today for the operations to Dec. 9.

The casualties were distributed as follows:

Flanders and France		Officers Other Rank	
Killed	11,743	Killed	11,743
Wounded	9413	Wounded	241,359
Missing	1639	Missing	62,055
Total officers and men		357,983	
Dardanelles		Other Theatres	
Killed	1567	Killed	571
Wounded	3025	Wounded	694
Missing	359	Missing	109
Total officers and men		114,555	
Total officers and men		25,634	

THE SALVATION ARMY

FULLY 125 BASKETS DISTRIBUTED THIS AFTERNOON FOR CHRISTMAS DINNERS

The annual distribution of baskets containing food for a good Christmas dinner under the auspices of the local Salvation Army, to the worthy poor people of this city, took place this afternoon at the headquarters of the organization in Jackson street, and about 125 families were made happy.

The distribution was in charge of Adjutant Ayres, who was ably assisted by a large corps of workers, and was started at 2 o'clock. For a couple of hours the distributors were kept busy investigating and giving away baskets. Each basket contained a chicken, potatoes, meat, fruit, pie and in fact all that goes to make a good holiday dinner. Some of the chickens were large and others small, and they were given according to the cases. That is, a large family received a large bird, etc.

REV. Mrs. Alice James-Johnson, mother of the two girls taken to New York by David Gilson, today paid the expenses incurred by the police in bringing the children back from the Children's society in New York.

The Nineteen Hundred club yesterday afternoon entertained the inmates of the Billerica town farm with a musical program appropriate to the season. Several selections were given and refreshments were served.

KING PETER AT FRONT

COUSIN SAYS SERBIAN RULER IS WATCHING THE OPERATIONS OF HIS ARMY

ROME, Dec. 23.—Prince Alexis Kara-georgievitch of Serbia, a cousin of King Peter, has arrived here after an adventurous escape from Albania, with his wife. The prince says that what is left of the Serbian army has resumed contact with the Bulgarians east of Elbasan, where fighting has been going on for three consecutive days.

King Peter went on horseback from Scutari to Tirana, the prince states, and then to Avlona, from which place he is watching the operations of his army which is commanded by Gen. Mischke.

Great Hemlock Erected on South Common—Program This Evening—Large Crowd Expected

The municipal Christmas tree on the South common will shine forth in all its glory tonight and every night until the new year. The tree, a giant hemlock, drawn here by six horses from Ward hill, Haverhill, is 75 feet in height and with its monster branches lighted with varied colored incandescents the effect can be better imagined than described. The musical program will be an improvement over last year and that will be going some. The program has been arranged by Oswald Theo Bamber, of the Lowell Military band, and Alexander E. Williams, chorister of St. Anne's church. The band, as has already been stated in "The Sun," will be augmented by 40 pieces, while Mr. Williams will muster 100 choristers.

At 8:30 o'clock the choristers of St. Anne's will sing carols for the children. There will be 30 choristers under the direction of Alexander E. Williams and this will afford the children an excellent opportunity to see the tree and hear the singing of the carols. The choristers will sing outside of St. Anne's church from 8 to 8:15 o'clock, after which they will be taken to the South common in automobiles, and from there they will go to the Highland club, where preparations have been completed for an elaborate Christmas tree and carol service.

The program at 10:30 o'clock and will include the following numbers:

"Antioch," "I Am Praying for You," "Ring the Bells of Heaven," "Let the Lower Lights Be Burning," "Rock of Ages," "I'll Stand by You Till Morning," "Pavlov's Hymn," "My Redeeming Love," "Will Jesus Find Us Watching?" "Nothing But the Blood of Jesus," "Over the Line," "Coronation," and "Dare to Be a Daniel."

FORMER LOWELL WOMAN

MRS. L. M. BRACKETT WILL CELEBRATE 101ST CHRISTMAS TOMORROW

BOSTON, Dec. 24.—Her 101st Christmas will be celebrated tomorrow by Lydia M. Brackett of 21 Seaverns avenue, Jamaica plain, who summed the embodiment of the Christmas spirit as she received the Yuletide greetings of her friends yesterday afternoon.

She retains her faculties unimpaired and spends part of each day reading the Boston paper, and those from St. Anne's church she passed her youth, Springfield, N. H., and Lowell, and keeps herself posted on the affairs of both places.

Never a day passes but the birds receive their share of her breakfast prayers. Mrs. Brackett was born in Springfield, N. H., Sept. 10, 1815, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rueben Robie. Her father was the schoolmaster and keeper of the general store. At the age of 13 she married Hiram Cross. She had one son, Dr. Hiram Cross of Jamaica Plain who died three years ago at the age of 78.

After her marriage the family moved to Franklin, N. H., where her son Hiram was born. Later they bought a farm in Holderness, N. H. Her second marriage was to Shadrach B. Brackett of Lowell, where she resided until the death of Mr. Brackett, about 20 years ago. She then removed to Jamaica Plain and made her home with her son, Dr. Cross.

She has always been domestic in her tastes, fond of outdoor life and

The carollers will then sing "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing," the words of which were written by Charles Wesley, to an air by Mendelssohn.

"Joy to the World"

The bridal song from Goldmark's "Rural Wedding" will be given by the band. The carol "Holy Night! Peaceful Night!" will be given by the choristers. The von Suppe overture, "Feet and Peasant," will be the band number, after which the carol, "Joy to the World, the Lord Has Come" will be sung.

A band arrangement of Bond's "A Perfect Day" will be the novelty selection on this program, and the next number will be the old hymn, "Hallelujah." One of the finest choruses numbers from Haydn's "The Creation," "The Heavens Are Telling," will be sung. There will come the majestic carol, "Christmas Awake, Salute the Happy Morn." The Gloria from Mozart's Twelfth Mass will be played by the band, following it will be sung, "Adagio Pi-dello," "O Come, All Ye Faithful." It is planned to have the number sung at midnight.

"Silver Trumpets," a grand march, will then be given. This number is played at St. Peter's, Rome, every Christmas and Easter, by a choir of silver instruments, and it heralds the approach of the pontiff. Loisy's "Forest Whispers" will be played later, and the program will close with the playing and singing of "The Star Spangled Banner."

Leaflets containing the program of the municipal Christmas tree will be distributed at the common. The band will occupy the new bandstand, while the singers will occupy a specially constructed wooden stand near by.

until the last few years enjoyed walking a considerable distance. Her photograph was taken on her 100th birthday when a large reception was given in her honor. She looks forward hopefully to the future and has long recollections of the past. Mrs. Brackett showed every indication of successfully passing several more happy Christmases.

LOWELL WOMAN WINS

Mrs. L. M. Harrington Entitled to All-money of \$1201.31 for Estate of Divorced Husband

WORCESTER, Dec. 24.—Mrs. Lilla May Harrington of Lowell is entitled to \$1201.31 as alimony from the estate of the late Allen A. Harrington of Leominster, from whom she procured a divorce under a decision handed down yesterday by Judge Wait in the superior court.

Mrs. Harrington procured her divorce in 1907 and with the decree an order for the payment of \$150 forthwith and \$250 a week thereafter as alimony.

In her petition against the estate of her former husband Mrs. Harrington alleges that he paid her \$75 in 1907, \$50 in 1908 and \$70 in 1909, a total of \$295. Harrington died on Dec. 4, 1914, and Mrs. Harrington put in a claim against the estate for \$1195 and interest.

Deposit that Christmas money in The Lowell Five Cent Savings Bank, Saturday, January 1st, is "Quarter Day."

How the Leading Clubs Will Observe Christmas—Program a Highland and Other Quarters

At the various social clubs of the city the Christmas festival will be observed with due formality. All will keep open house and many special entertainments will be provided.

Highland Club

The entertainment committee of the Highland club has planned an elaborate entertainment for this evening and indications are that this year's Christmas eve celebration will eclipse that of last year which provided enjoyment for a large number of members and their friends.

Everything has been so arranged that the celebration will not conflict in any way with the municipal celebration on the South common and those who desire will have plenty of time to be in attendance at both exercises. The clubhouse and grounds will be beautifully decorated for the occasion and the numerous trees surrounding the well appointed club quarters will be brilliantly illuminated with vari-colored incandescents. Candles will be lighted in the windows of the clubhouse as well as in residences in the immediate vicinity. The residents have co-operated with the committee in charge and will do everything possible to make the affair a grand success.

At 8:45 o'clock the members of St. Anne's church choir, augmented by other singers under the direction of Alex. Williams, will arrive at the club and sing carols and other appropriate Christmas selections. The clubhouse will be open to the public throughout the evening.

Y.M.C.I.

The annual Christmas tree and Old Home day celebration will be held at the Y.M.C.I. hall tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock and a large crowd is expected to attend.

The tree and Old Home day idea originated with the late Edward F. Shea, who promoted the feature at the rooms seven years ago. Since that time it has been held every year resulting in a large attendance every Christmas afternoon. The tree this year will be one of the big features and there will be presents enough for every one. George Lynch, the Tewksbury representative of the society, will contribute his share to the affair in the role of Santa Claus. It is said that Johnny Welsh is on the anxious seat about the championship belt which he has won every year at the celebration. Rumor has had it for the past week that the belt was to be presented another member, and Johnny intends to be on hand to enter a protest.

Following the presentation of gifts a musical program consisting of more than 25 numbers will be carried out under the direction of Andrew Doyle. There will also be remarks by officers of the society and well known business men of the city. Refreshments will be served late in the afternoon.

C. Y. M. I. Tomorrow will be the big day of the year at the rooms of the C.Y.M.I. in Suffolk street, when the members will get together for the annual distribution of Christmas presents. Henry F. Sullivan, the well known swimmer, has been selected to play Santa Claus and he promises to make things

Bellevue Club

A Christmas tree celebration will be held in the spacious quarters of the Bellevue club tonight and the affair promises to be very enjoyable. The tree will be well loaded with presents for the members, and Scott Davidson will do the Santa Claus act. The following will contribute to the musical entertainment which will bring the affair to a close in time for the members to attend the municipal celebration: Walter Clough, David Boyle, Joseph Willis, Arthur Rogers, George Tighe, J. Ward, B. Nevins, George Simpson, Scott Davidson and President A. Johnson. Leo Longtin will be the accompanist. The committee in charge is as follows: Arthur Purcell, chairman; Benjamin Nevins, Bert Greenwood and Richard Marshall.

Palmer Club

The Palmer club will celebrate tomorrow evening with a "rush" and gifts for all the members. A musical program will be rendered by the Palmer minstrels under the direction of Daniel Foley and refreshments will be served.

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Warren Club

The Warren club will celebrate tonight with a Christmas tree and presents for all the members at the quarters of the organization in Old Fellows hall. Fred Smith will do the Kris Kingle act and Frank Finnert will drive the reindeer. The presents have been ordered weeks in advance and should be on hand for distribution by 10 o'clock which is the time set by the members to open the burlap ties. An entertainment program will be enjoyed and the affair brought to a close in plenty of season for the members to attend the Christmas tree on the South common.

South End Club

Open house will be observed at the South End club tonight and a large gathering of members and friends of the organization are expected to be in attendance at the celebration planned by the Christmas eve committee which consists of Andrew Doyle, John Quinn, George Fox, William Donovan, and John Brady. A Christmas tree has been installed in the rooms of the organization and promptly at 8:30 the members will receive "theirs" at the hands of Peter McGreevey, who has consented to play Santa Claus. A musical entertainment will be given by the South End minstrels following Santa Claus' departure.

Palmer Club

The Palmer club will celebrate tomorrow evening with a "rush" and gifts for all the members. A musical program will be rendered by the Palmer minstrels under the direction of Daniel Foley and refreshments will be served.

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